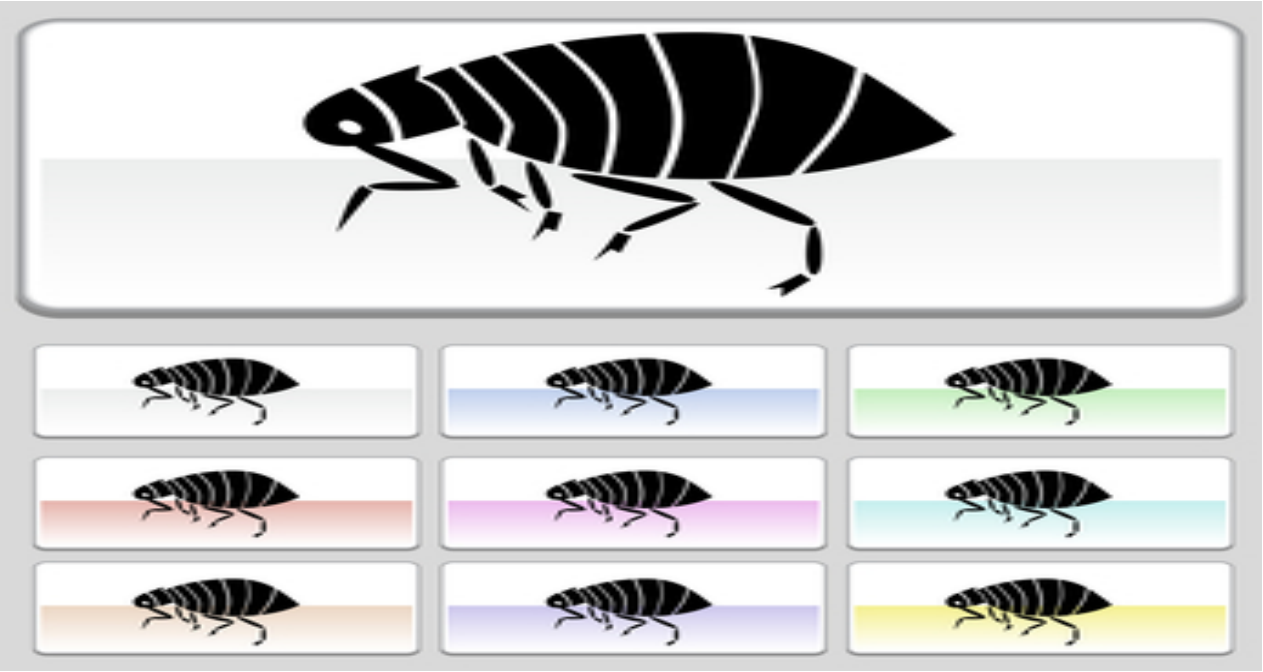

Backyard Bug Patrol Publishes Blog Post Distinguishing Between The Behavior Of Fleas And Lice

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Pest control services company Backyard Bug Patrol has released a blog post that seeks to educate potential customers about the difference between fleas and lice and how one can be well prepared to deal with them if they ever happen to infest their home or commercial property. Readers who want to keep updated with the company?s services and its other informative blog posts can follow its Facebook page at the link: https://www.facebook.com/BackyardBugPatrol.

There are more than 300 types of fleas in the United States. The most common domestic kind of flea is the cat flea (Ctenocephalides felis). There are many other species of fleas that prefer to prey on different animals such as dogs, rabbits, raccoons, mice, rats, and even a few species that are a threat to humans. Fleas have been long considered a hazardous pest as they were vectors of the bubonic plague that wiped out a significant portion of the European population in the 14th century.

Lice that infect humans largely belong to three species. Head louse infestations were a common public health concern before World War II and they are still prevalent among children. The CDC estimates that there are up to 12 million lice infestations in the United States every year. They usually latch onto human hair and then feed on blood several times a day.

The blog post from Backyard Bug Patrol recognizes the danger of these everyday pests and then goes on to provide more information about their modus operandi in order to prepare people to fight them. The blog post begins by acknowledging that though fleas and lice both feast on the blood of living creatures, there is a distinct difference between their feeding habits, nesting habits, and ability to spread from host to host. Readers who want to peruse the details of the company?s investigation at their leisure can do so by heading over to the blog post at https://backyardbugpatrol.com/pest-control/difference-between-fleas-and-lice/.

Lice need several sips of blood per day to survive and can die in anywhere between 24 to 48 hours if they are not able to find a host. This makes them obligate parasites. Fleas are, on the other hand, much more resilient. Since they can attach to most warm-blooded animals and birds, they can transport themselves from host to host and can also live up to 100 days without finding a host.

Fleas have a painful bite whereas lice mostly only cause irritation and itching. Fleas spread to pets from contaminated environments. Lice primarily nest on humans who may have contracted them due to poor hygiene or coming in contact with someone who is already a host. Fleas can latch on to animals regardless of the level of care they receive, their age, or breed. Lice are most likely to affect animals that are too young, too old, or are neglected, like strays.

Fleas and lice both are wingless parasites. However, fleas have strong legs which allow them to jump great distances to hop onto animals that happen to enter their vicinity. Lice are slower-moving as they crawl from location to location and are mostly sedentary. Lice are easier to spot and eradicate while getting rid of fleas in a more involved process that requires regular cleaning and maintaining good hygiene.

Backyard Bug Patrol has been serving Northern Virginia and Suburban Maryland since 2010. The company?s services include tick control, mosquito control, perimeter rodent & snake control, green indoor pest control, ant barrier program, preventative termite control, stink bug control, and organic pest control. The company serves both residential and commercial customers. Over the years, the company has managed to achieve a near-perfect rating of 4.9 out of 5 stars from over 100 Google reviews.

Backyard Bug Patrol can be contacted at the phone number (703) 621-7116 or at the email address information@backyarbugpatrol.com for service options and pricing. To read reviews about the quality of the

company?s pest control services, readers can head over to its Google My Business page at the link: https://goo.gl/maps/6zRWtU89Ri82.

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