

ROUND-UP

The Straight (Bug) Dope

The snow is gone, the sun is shining and all you want to do is get outside...if it weren't for all the bugs. Fight back with this anti-itch arsenal **BY JOHN TARANTO**

Raise the Shields!

Want to keep bugs at bay, but hate to slather sticky repellent all over your body? Outfit yourself in shirts, pants, hats and more that have been treated with **Insect Shield**. It's an odorless anti-insect treatment that's built into dozens of garments and other gear. Well-known outdoor brands like L.L. Bean **(1)**, Tilley **(2)** and Ex-Officio **(3)** are among the many that produce garments treated with Insect Shield. (insectshield.com)



Let There Be Light...and Fewer Bugs

An argument can be made that nothing has had a greater impact on spring turkey hunting in the past decade than ThermaCELL devices. From the makers of those miracle products comes the Outdoor Lantern **(4)**, which not only creates a 15-square-foot bug-free buffer zone, but also incorporates 8 LED lights. Perfect for tent camping or late-night trips to the outhouse. (**\$30; mosquitorepellent.com**)

A Little R&R—Repellents & Remedies

Ultrathon 12-hour formula is now available with a sponge applicator **(5)**. Natrapel offers an eight-hour DEET-free solution in a 3.5-ounce pump **(6)**. If DEET's your thing, check out Ben's tick and insect wipes **(7)**. Repel packs 150 sprays into its pen-size line of repellents **(8)**. If you're treating bites, reach for the new AfterBite Outdoor formula **(9)**. Chigger Chaser **(10)** will soothe the burn.

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