Plants That Repel Mosquitoes And Other Insects

1. **Basil**: Basil is great at repelling mosquitoes and flies, and since it does best in direct sunlight, it should be placed near doors or windows.

2. **Marigolds**: Just like basil, marigolds also emit a pleasant smell that scares off bugs.

3. **Catnip**: While catnip may attract cats, it keeps mosquitoes away. A study has shown that it’s 10x more potent than most store-bought repellents.

4. **Rosemary**: Most people are already aware of rosemary oil’s health benefits, but its fragrance is also able to keep mosquitoes and other flying insects away.

5. **Chrysanthemum**: Chrysanthemums contain pyrethrin, a natural insecticide. This substance repels mosquitoes and other insects such as cockroaches, beetles and flies.

6. **Geranium**: Geraniums smell strongly of lemon and citronella. There are also ivy geraniums which contain a substance that serves as a natural insecticide and repellent, so it keeps mosquitoes away.

7. **Citronella**: This is probably one of the best-known alternatives to repel insects, and it’s used to make candles and oils. The plant serves as a repellent on its own.