Don’t let them breed!

The key is preventing mosquitoes from finding clean standing water; they only need a small amount to lay their eggs. Vases, tires, barrels, and any other container with water become an incubator for eggs to develop.

1. Female mosquitoes lay 100-200 eggs every 3-4 days.
2. The eggs are deposited on the walls of containers and can survive out of water for several months, meanwhile, the future larva is developing.
3. The larva leaves the egg and develops in the water deposit.
4. The larva becomes a pupa, and its organs are ready for adult life.
5. Adult mosquitoes leave its pupa shell, it can already fly, eat, reproduce, and bite!
6. Mosquitoes mate and the female becomes pregnant.
7. She needs human blood for her eggs to develop in her abdomen.
8. So she bites a human and if the human has one of these diseases, the female will get it in the blood she’s sucking...
9. And if she bites healthy you, she will infect you...
10. And guess what? Now that she’s red, she will be looking for clean standing water to lay her eggs... and the cycle begins again.

Uncovered standing water = mosquito breeding site

Have you been bitten? Do you have any or all of these symptoms? Do not medicate yourself. See a doctor.

- Fever
- Muscle pain
- Malaria
- Headache
- Nausea or vomiting
- Joint pain
- Skin rash
- Lack of appetite
- Watery eyes
- Chills

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