

What Bugs?

"How can you live in Florida with all those bugs!?", said my mother more than once. "What bugs?", I replied. I thought she was talking about the blood thirsty mosquitos because I've never seen love bugs in the Keys, they don't come this far south. With all the beauty that surrounds us why worry about some pesky little bugs?

That was before I met my first palmetto bug.

I came home late one night and I must admit I'd had a few glasses of wine when something from under the kitchen sink took off as fast as a bat out of hell and rapidly zipped across the tile the minute I flicked on the light switch. Woosh! It looked like a speeding cat turd on wheels!

Just then my cat took off after it and pinned the thing against the wall. I took one look at it and froze, shivers went up my spine, my hair stood on end. It was a monster of a cock roach! I grabbed the

shoe off my foot and soon realized I couldn't kill the sumbitch with a high heel even if it was a vintage designer Candies.

My head circled like the exorcist, I must locate a potential murder weapon. Briefly I thought about my 38 caliber with the laser. Nope. Too dangerous, I could shoot up the house and the neighbors might call the cops.

There's no law against bugs breaking and entering. I wondered if there were roaches at the jail...

Just about then the cat lifted its paw and monster bug flipped, became airborne and landed smack dab on my nose. I hit myself in the face with the shoe. The flying turd flew off and landed on all six feet and then zig zagged under my hutch.

Ok, its 11:00 PM and I'm

barefoot alone with a cockroach on steroids.

I reached for the broom but before I could do anything I had to sit down and put my head between my legs before I hyperventilated myself unconscious. I thought about the jail some more. I knew I wouldn't sleep with a lurking godzillabug in the house. Then I remembered my phone. Gotta call someone fast. Got the recording at animal control. Now I'm really screwed.

It was either escape the house and look for a motel vacancy or go to battle with the bug. I swished the broom sideways under the hutch and only cap-

tured some dust bunnies.

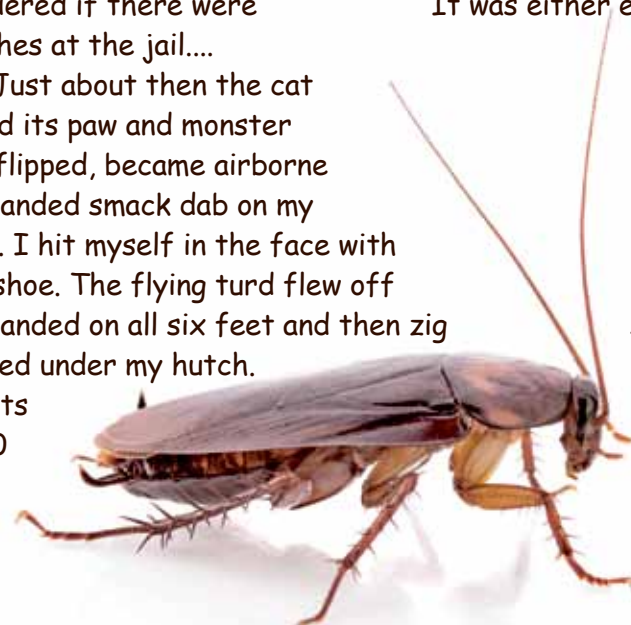
"That does it!" I screamed and rammed the broom under the furniture like a madwoman on an adrenalin rush, which, of course, I was.

Mr. Palmetto Bug limped out the side. Euphoria, I'd crippled the bastard! Yellow goo, the color of new born baby poo, was oozing out his backside.

With the shoe I coaxed the creepy crippled critter onto the dust pan and raced with my heart pumping two time cucaracha to the bathroom and gave the king of bugs a royal flush.

The next day I went to the grocery store and purchased Harris's Famous Roach Tablets. I just had to toss them under appliances and furniture safely away from children and animals.

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Capt. Kenny Spaulding and Andrea Munchmeyer with her 2nd place offshore wahoo caught on Sea Horse.



Capt. Chris Hanson shows off Nadine Thompson's 2nd place snook.

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Sunday's catch on Capt. Kenny Spaulding's Caribsea.

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Humpty Dumpty sat on a wall.
Humpty Dumpty had a great fall.
The structure of the wall was incorrect,
So he won ten grand with Claims Direct.

Jack and Jill went into town,
To fetch some chips and sweeties,
Now he can't keep his heart rate down,
And she's got diabetes.

Mary had a little lamb, it ran into a pylon,
10,000 volts went up its spine,
And turned its wool to nylon.

It's raining.
It's pouring.
Of course its global warming.

Georgie Porgie pudding and pie
Kissed the girls and made them cry.
When the boys came out to play
He kissed them too coz he was gay.

