

DETECTING PEAFOWL

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Peafowl are not native to California and were originally imported from India in the 1940's by the Los Angeles County Arboretum. As residential areas were formed, peafowl learned how to adapt to people.

Peafowl are ground feeding birds with very strong legs. Their diets consist mostly of insects. During breeding

season (summer) males will grow ornamental feathers and display themselves to females. A male is most comfortable living with a harem of two to five females.

Peafowl can be a nuisance as they can be noisy and messy. They can devour newly planted flowerbeds, soil lawns, driveways and destroy rooftops.

HOW TO MANAGE PEAFOWL

- Avoid keeping compost on your yard
- Keep animal food indoors
- The use of sprinklers or hoses can scare them off the property
- Landscape your yard with plants peafowl do not like

PLANTS PEAFOWL DO NOT LIKE

- Acacia
- Agapanthus
- Azalea
- Birds of Paradise
- Bougainvillea
- Cactus
- Camellia
- Chrysanthemum
- Ferns
- Oleander
- Painted Daisy
- Pink Lady
- Poinsettia
- Roses
- Snap Dragons
- Fuchsia
- Gardenia
- Gladioli
- Hibiscus
- Ivy
- Jade
- Lavender
- Marigold

TIPS

California Department of Fish and Wildlife has jurisdiction over all wildlife in California. For more information about peafowl proofing your home, hazing and other safety tips, visit www.wildlife.ca.gov.

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