Let's make the best countermeasures by understanding the way of living and behavior of crows!

At night-time, crows rest in their nests. Around 30 minutes before dawn, they fly away from their nests to search for food. Crows tend to work together, so in the case when one crow finds food, it will start cawing to gather its flock and then they will eat together.

Nesting season for crows usually take place from March to July. During the nesting season, crows can become short-tempered and aggressive, which means they could attack people.



When crows take care of their offspring during March to July, they are more likely to target garbage for food.

Crows have high cognitive abilities and also possess an acute sense of color. With this sense of color, crows can tell apart which garbage bags actually contain food.

A crow's nose is located at the base of its beak, which are covered by brush-like hairs.

Compared to mammals, birds generally do not have a well-developed sense of smell. Even out of all birds, crows may not have a well-developed sense of smell. Although they have noses, it may be safe to assume crows are animals that are not good at picking up scent.

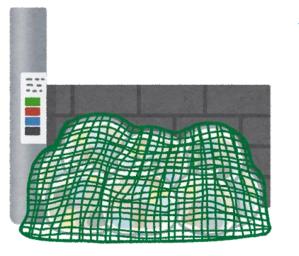
Put out garbage on designated collection days and times.

As crows are active during the early hours of dawn, putting out your garbage the night before collection day can significantly increase the probability of crows raiding your garbage.

In Osaka City, the approximate garbage collection times (generally extending a 2-hour period) are notified to each residential area.

Try to take out garbage right before the approximate collection time.

Osaka City Garbage Collection Area Map



★Safeguard by using anti-bird nets.

Anti-bird nets are effective.

Nets make it difficult for crows to see garbage. However, if nets are not properly used, the level of effectiveness will not be attained.

To b the effective use of anti-bird nets, please refer to the points listed on the back of this page.

Osaka City Environment Bureau

Full Mastership Let's properly use anti-bird nets to prevent damages by crows!

Point #1

You should use an anti-bird net that has fine-mesh size (generally 5mm or smaller).

When choosing your anti-bird net, make sure it has a fine-mesh size that makes it difficult for a crow's beak to pass through.

If you choose a mesh size that is 5mm or smaller, a crow's beak cannot pass through it; which means this can help prevent damages.

Point #2

Make sure not to create any openings when using your anti-bird net.

If anti-bird net has openings, there is the risk of crows pulling out garbage and scavenging through it.

To help prevent crow raids, make sure your anti-bird net covers up the garbage well and has no openings.



Even if anti-bird nets are used, crows may still cause damage. Do you have an idea of what might be the cause?



By covering up garbage with the net, it does not leave any openings for crow raids.



Use an undamaged net with fine-mesh size, and make sure it does not expose any openings for crows to peck at.



If the net is turned over, crows can end up penetrating through.



If garbage is not properly covered by the net, crows are clever enough to quickly turn it over.



Let's properly use nets to help prevent damages caused by crows!

We lend out crow nets (anti-bird nets) free of charge.

To prevent cases of scattered garbage by crows, the City of Osaka lends out crow (anti-bird) nets for free to designated garbage disposal/collection sites (generally used by 5 households or more).

For more details, please contact the environmental management center responsible for your residential area.



← Your Residential Area's Environmental Management Center For problems of crows raiding your garbage

