

And *that* is a real health hazard. Sixty percent of the over 11 million people who suffer from asthma will end up more than just grossed out by roaches. They will end up wheezing and gasping for air.

Clearly, roaches have *got* to go! Unfortunately, that's almost impossible.

## KING COCKROACH

Dinosaurs roared for about 130 million years before they disappeared. We humans have only been hanging around on earth for about 2 million years. But cockroaches are 350 million years old and still going strong. These guys make that bunny that sells batteries look like a dead duck.



*The biggest roach of all, the Madagascar Hissing Cockroach, sure is a handful.*

At one point in this planet's life, roaches ruled. They were kings of the world during the Age of Coal, roaming happily in the steamy swamps. Let's face it: To hang out that long, you need to be tough. And these creepers are!

Roaches are completely amazing. Chew on this. In space, an astronaut will pass out at 12 Gs (that's 12 times the force of normal gravity—a crushing amount of pressure). At 18 Gs that poor astronaut's internal organs will be squished. But roaches? No problem! They can make it to 126 Gs without even breaking a

sweat! They can also be frozen, then thawed, and walk away as if nothing had happened. Not to mention their ability to survive lots of the poisons humans use in a vain attempt to get rid of them.

Cockroaches are crazy for cleanliness. They spend hours washing themselves, licking their feet and sucking on their own antennae—two very important body parts if you are a roach. They use their antennae to poke around and sniff out food. And as for their feet? Read on!

Imagine deciding

