

Rabbits and Cayenne Pepper

When our daughter Kayla was home last weekend, she did the NICEST thing for me. She helped me weed the garden.

My garden has been a mess this year. I planted early, then we had a late frost and I lost my green beans. Then the rabbits found my garden and I lost my second planting of green beans, kolarobi, and beets. Then we got too much rain and my garden doesn't have the best drainage....by then, I wasn't very interested in gardening anymore. Gardening just seemed depressing. Well Kayla helped me weed and I am ready to get back to gardening. But how do I deal with the rabbits?



Kayla helped me yet again...she is doing an internship at [Living History Farm](#) and they are not allowed to use any chemicals or fertilizer that aren't appropriate to the time period. She said they sprinkle cayenne pepper around the veggies that the rabbits like to eat. The rabbits don't like the cayenne so they leave the veggies alone. Well I thought it was worth a try...

When I say that Kayla was so nice to help me, I really mean it. While Kayla is working at Living History Farm, she spends a large portion of her day in the garden. She has absolutely enjoyed her experience. She dresses in period clothing, cooks on a wood stove, cards wool, takes care of animals, makes hats and does anything that is appropriate to the time period. She is going to be learning to use a treadle sewing machine too. This is one lesson I really hope she learns so she can teach me!

Will the cayenne pepper work? I don't know. I will keep you posted.