**Plant Marigolds To Protect From Pests**- plant a border of marigolds around a garden, the scent from the marigolds will deter pests from chomping on your plants

**Encourage Predators**- one of the best ways to control pests in your garden is establishing a natural balance in your garden, lady bugs prey on aphids and mites, you can attract lady bugs by planting parsley, dill or fennel

**Boost Soil Health**- use compost tea (1 part compost to 1 part water) as a natural fertilizer

**Use A Natural Insecticide**- if you want to protect your garden from some insect pests, use diatomaceous earth as an organic insecticide, diatomaceous earth is just ground up shell

**Mulch It Up**- apply 1-2 inches of organic mulch around the base of plants, this will keep in moisture and protect from weeds

**Go With Garlic**- plants like garlic and onions deter insects due to their strong smell, plant them among your plants being eaten by pests

**Raise It Up**- using raised beds helps you control the soil and makes it easier to foster a healthy soil

**Plant For Pollinators**- plant some native wildflowers to attract pollinators who will help your garden thrive