

"ITS... ITS... ITS A COCKAROACH!"
BY PAT/SALTY

COCKAROACHES HAVE THE POWER TO INVOKE SPASMS OF REVOLUTION AND DREAD ~~IN~~ IN THE OVERWHELMING MAJORITY OF UPPER CLASS + MIDDLE CLASS PEOPLE.

THEY ARE THOUGHT OF AS THE FREDDY KRUEGERS OF THE INSECT WORLD.

THEY LOVE FILTH AND GREASE AND DAMP, DARK PLACES: yuck!... yet....

THEY ARE SCIENTIFICALLY PROVEN TO BE BASICALLY UNCHANGED SINCE THE JURASSIC PERIOD,

PERFECTLY DESIGNED - LIKE THE SHARK - AND HENCE NEEDING VERY, VERY LITTLE EVOLUTIONARY CHANGE TO DO WHAT THEY DO.

WHICH IS TO HORRIFY UPPER + MIDDLECLASS HOUSEWIVES (IN THE WESTERN COUNTRIES) AND TO MAKE TASTY CRUNCHY SNACKTIME TREATS ~~over~~ (IN ASIAN SOCIETYS)

FOR ALL THE HORROR AND REVOLUTION THEIR PRESENCE CAUSES IN CERTAIN SOCIAL CIRCLES, THEY ARE, IN ~~TRUE~~ REALITY,

A) VERY CLEAN CREATURES,

B) MAKE NO NOISE AND DO NOT STING OR BITE, AND,



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c) ARE AS TIMID AS 5 YEAR OLD SCHOOLGIRLS, MEANING THAT, WHEN A DREADED HUMAN (DREADED, TO THE ROACH) ENTERS ~~AND~~ ANY ROACH INFESTED KITCHEN IN THE MIDDLE OF THE NIGHT BY FLICKING ON THE KITCHEN LIGHT —

THE ROACHES ALL INSTANTLY FREEZE TO A DEAD STOP IN ALL THEIR TRACKS (AS ONE) THEN — AN INSTANT LATER —

— BAM! — THEY ALL SCATTER AND RUN IN EVERY DIRECTION TO THE SHADOWS, AND THAT FAST, THEY ARE ALL GONE. TALK ABOUT FAST!

A KITCHEN FULL OF NIGHTTIME FEEDING COCKAROACHES CAN ALL DISAPPEAR RUNNING SO DAMNED FAST THAT THE HUMAN EQUIVILENT WOULD BE — SAY — A HUNDRED HUMANS STANDING ON A FOOTBALL FIELD ALL RUNNING OFF THE FIELD, OUT OF THE STADIUM, AND RUNNING HALFWAY TO THE COUNTY LINE — IN ONE SECOND FLAT!

NOW THATS COCKAROACH FAST!

YOU SEE, COCKAROACHES NEVER FIGHT WHEN THREATENED — THEY ONLY RUN AWAY, IN MASS. LIKE, FAST, COCKAROACH FAST.



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you see - IF TRUTH BE TOLD -
COCKAROACHES LIVE IN A CONSTANT
STATE OF FEAR ALL THEIR (SHORT) LIVES.
THEY ARE THE COWARDLY LIONS OF THE
INSECT WORLD.

LIVING IN CLOSE PROXIMITY TO MAN, YET
FEARING MAN, US. YOU AND ME AND EVERYONE,
THEY EAT AND RUN, EAT AND RUN -
IT'S A ROACHES LIFE, ALRIGHT.

THEY FEAR EVERYONE AND EVERYTHING.

SUDDEN LIGHT, SUDDEN NOISES,

PEOPLE. DOGS. CATS. MICE. BEDBUGS.

BUTTERFLYS, FOR CRYIN' OUT LOUD!

GOD DAMNED BUTTERFLYS!

COCKAROACHES ARE SO NON-VIOLENT

THEY MAKE^A MOTHER THERESA LOOK LIKE

ELSE KOTCH, THE "BEAST OF BELSEN".

ROACHES ARE SO PEACELOVING, THEY

MAKE MOHATMA GHANDI LOOK LIKE

JACK THE RIPPER - AND WHAT DO THEY

GET IN RETURN?

LURED INTO MOTELS - ROACH MOTELS -

AND ~~murdered~~ KILLED.

LIKE A MILLION BATES MOTELS, THEY

CAN ALWAYS CHECK IN - JUST NEVER

CHECK OUT - SOME LIFE, HUH?



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They ARE The Rodney DANGERFIELDS
OF THE ANIMAL KINGDOM.

EVEN DANGERFIELD GOT MORE RESPECT!

SO, ALL IN ALL, WHY DO YOU THINK
COCKAROACHES ARE SO HATED?

WHY SO MUCH ~~ALMOST UNIVERSAL~~ UPPERCLASS AND
MIDDLECLASS REVOLUTION TO THEM? COULD IT BE

BECAUSE COCKAROACHES AND THE THOUGHT
OF COCKAROACHES EFFECT SOME ANCIENT

"HARD WIRED" PART OF THE HUMAN BRAIN

BY AWAKENING CERTAIN LONG BURIED
PRIMEVAL FEARS IN SO MANY PEOPLE?

ALL THOSE SILENT CREEPY CRAWLY

ANCIENT FEARS OF SILENT UNSEEN

FORCES HIDDEN IN THE ^{DANK} DARKNESS

SOMEWHERE?

JUST SILENTLY WAITING TO "GET US"?

"FREDDY KRUEGERS" OF THE INSECT WORLD?

REPRODUCING AND MULTIPLYING OUT OF ALL

CONTROL, LIVING OFF OF HUMAN FILTH

AND HUMAN GARBAGE?

AND WHY IS IT THAT PEOPLES GENERAL

FEELINGS OF REVOLUTION ABOUT COCKAROACHES

SEEMS TO RISE IN DIRECT PROPORTION

TO HOW FAR UP IN CLASS PEOPLE HAVE RISEN

FROM THE POOR, THE DESTITUTE, AND FROM

THE SO CALLED "THIRD WORLD"? JUST ASKING. XXX