

# Tree Roots Invading Your Sewer Line? What You Can Do About It Now

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Tree and shrub roots invading your sewer lines are the last issue you need, and maybe the least expected. They're a hidden—yet serious—threat. **If neglected, root-damaged pipes can leak, flood your house, and even damage paved walkways and roads encircling your property.** Underground damage will become more severe over the years, before it finally comes to a head.

Trees can and do insinuate themselves into any kind of sewer line pipe: PVC, concrete, clay. ***The mighty tree in search of moisture can get to them all, pry them open, and ultimately lead to a plumbing emergency.***

Your home, whether you live it or whether it is an investment property, is a *valuable asset*. ***Don't wait until you're dealing with a sewer backup before attending to pipes that are vulnerable to root invasion.***

## Roots Have Already Invaded Your Home's, Water Pipes. What Can You Do?

"What's causing this dreadful smell?" Your tenant goes from room to room, looking for the source of the foul odor. Finally, a trip downstairs to the basement reveals the problem. There it is: backup from the toilet in the basement, seeping all over the floor.

By now, the toilet in the main bathroom just won't flush. The whole house has started smelling by the time you get the phone call about the flood at your property.

You arrive on the scene with a drain snake. But you can only get so far. Tree roots have invaded your water main, probably out near the street. **Now what?**

## Chemical Root Killers?

To cope with this mess, you might consider going to the home improvement store to pick up the strongest commercial root killer on the shelf. The safety instructions and warnings on the bottle are no joke. Poured down a toilet, these caustic chemicals will move through your sewer pipes, killing living matter. ***A common side***

*effect? Pipe corrosion. Some prescriptions prove more harmful than the ills they're meant to cure!*

## Hire a Professional

**There is a better way.** Unless you're a professional yourself, take this matter to the experts. Entrust your pipes to [Beehive Plumbing](#). Our professionals will diagnose a root invasion problem—*where the roots have come in*, and *how severe* the clogging is. **To protect your investment, have your tree root invasion problem solved correctly.**

## Early Signs That Roots Have Compromised Your Sewer Line, and Are Causing Leakage

**Your main water pipe connects the public water to your home's pipes .** *It's vital to spot signs of a leak in the main pipe.* How? In addition to (and, we hope, prior to) those sewer odors and basement flooding we've just described, watch for these telltale indicators:

**Water Standing in the Road.** Get plumbing services immediately if water is bubbling up or standing at the edge of your property.

**Water in Your Yard.** Unexplained wet areas pose dangers to kids, animals, and landscapers—and can indicate underground leakage.

**Wet Spots in the House.** Water puddles anywhere in your home, or moisture stains around bathtubs, sinks, or toilets or on flooring, are obvious signs of plumbing issues; and an inspection of your plumbing system can reveal other problems, concealed by ceilings or walls.

**Increases in Your Water Bills.** Unless you've power-washed or otherwise deliberately used lots of water, rising water bills suggest leaks and clogs.

**Low Water Pressure.** Clogs in the water main can reduce the pressure of water coming into your home.

**Cracks in Your Foundation.** Leakage will weaken a house's structural parts over time, and cracks are telling you something.

**Odd Sounds.** Never ignore gurgling from the toilet or sink, or whistling, dripping or clanking in your home.

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