When and where to use:

Vitax Tree bands protect fruit and ornamental trees aginst winter moth caterpillars, and crawling insects like earwigs and ants.

Timina:

To avoid fruit damage from winter moth caterpillars, apply in early autumn (September, early October) and keep in place until spring. To trap earwigs. ants and other crawling insects as they climb the trees, re-apply in May to September.

For Best Results:

- 1. Apply the bands well above the ground and surrounding vegetation to prevent bridging which may allow insects to avoid the tree band.
- 2. Apply bands to the smoothest part of the trunk and clean off any loose bark, moss or lichen to prevent pests crawling under the bands.
- 3. Also use the band around any supporting tree posts.
- 4. Inspect regularly to remove trapped leaves and debris etc. Replace if necessary.
- Vitax Tree bands consist of two pre-prepared bands attached to each

other back to back sufficient for 10-12 average sized fruit trees.

How to use

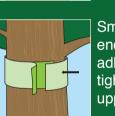
To apply the band you will require a pair of scissors and possibly some string.



Wrap around the tree and cut allowing a small overlap.



Peel back upper



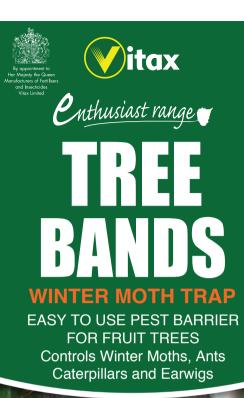
Smooth overlapping end onto exposed adhesive ensuring a tight fit. Remove upper band.



Use the upper band immediately or fold together for later use.



Use two lengths of string to ensure a more secure fit against insects travelling under the band on rough bark surfaces.





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The wingless female winter moths climb trees in October, November and December and again in March to lay their eaas.

Winter moth caterpillars emerge in spring and feed on the foliage. flowers and young fruit.

Ants will climb trees and protect pests like greenfly and scale insects from predators to harvest the sugary 'honeydew' produced.

Vitax Tree Bands will effectively trap these pests before they can lay eggs or cause damage.

The bands and non-drying adhesive are pesticide free, so Vitax Tree Bands are ideal for organic gardening and for use in combination with other methods of control.



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