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The Mice Cube® is a molded plastic mousetrap with a door that is free-swinging in an inward direction only. Small holes in the door allow the odor of the bait to escape to attract the mouse. The mouse enters by pushing the light-weight door inward, which then closes by gravity, preventing escape. It's SIMPLE and EFFECTIVE. It's more HUMANE, SAFER and CLEANER than conventional traps. It's also EASY TO USE, REUSABLE, SILENT and ECONOMICAL. You never have to touch the mouse. This is the only mousetrap you'll ever use.

Directions For Use:

1. To bait trap, spread peanut butter on a cracker and place it at the far end of the trap opposite the door. HINT: To help attract mouse to trap, spread a very thin layer of peanut butter on the swinging door - wipe off any excess so that the peanut scent remains and the door swings freely.
2. Place trap along wall or in area where mouse droppings are prevalent. Warning: Check trap once or twice a day, as mouse will expire if left in Mice Cube.
3. To release the mouse, take the Mice Cube outside and turn the trap upside down. The door will open and the mouse can exit.
4. If mouse has expired in trap, you may dispose of it in a refuse container without ever touching the mouse.

Pied Piper International
New Castle, NH 03854-2039



Nice Cube

NEVER TOUCH ANOTHER
MOUSE AGAIN

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THE ONLY MICE TRAP THAT'S
SAFE FOR YOU AND YOUR PET

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A Better Mousetrap

We're having a problem this year with our pantry being raided by field mice. After several attempts to exclude them, I headed off to Wal*Mart to get some mouse traps.

I'm not interested in poison, or even more cruel, the sticky kind which entrap them and let them starve or dehydrate to death, and the electrocution type are expensive. So I picked up a pack of the old-fashioned kill-em-quick snap traps and something else they had called a 'Mice Cube'. Note, it's really a 'Mouse Box', as it can neither hold more than one mouse nor is a cube. It's made of cheap plastic and has a hinged door on the front which can only open inwards and is just held in place by gravity. Simple, clever design.

First up was the old fashioned kind, with the brand 'Victor' on them. These were really poorly made, and I snapped my fingers twice trying to set the traps. I've used other brands of these in the distant past and had no such trouble. I loaded four of them up with peanut butter, placed them in a corner per directions, and came back in the morning to find three of the four snapped, no mice, and all four devoid of peanut butter.

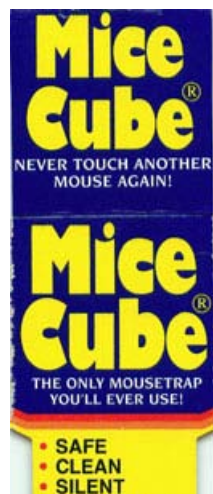
Crummy traps, but I've learned my foes apparently like peanut butter.

Next up, the Mice Cube. I put some peanut butter on some leftover French cracker-ish-toast-ish-bread-ish things I had leftover from buying some Boursin [Fig, Raisin, and Nut](#) cheese (mmmm) at [Stew Leonard's](#) in CT last month which have the nice property of being heavy enough to drop in the cube, and easy to break.

First night: big fat field mouse. He's probably in charge of food gathering and eats while he works. He got dropped off in the woods a couple miles away where there are no houses nearby. To drop off a mouse, just turn the trap upside down, the door falls open, and the mouse scurries away. Second night: nothing. Third night: First female. She made quite a racket trying to get out of the trap in the middle of the night. She also made an awful mess of herself - for \$1.42 these are definitely considered disposable. Fourth night: Smaller male. Calm, not too messy, wanted to climb on the trap once he got out. Weird mouse.

The Mouse Cube is made by a company called Pied Piper in New Castle, NH. I don't see a website for them, but they seem to be located on a nice little [spot of land](#) over there on the seacoast.

Conclusion: Safe, easy, clean, humane, cheap mousetrap. A better mousetrap.



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By [xrayzpx](#) 13 days later:

This does work great, and for whatever reason the clear one pictured seemed to work better than an opaque version. However the problem becomes "what to do with the mouse afterwards". My wife came home one day and found we'd caught a mouse, so she took it outside and let it go. The next day, we'd caught "another" mouse, took it out and let it go. The third day, we took a little car ride. Drove around until we found a spot that looked like it needed a mouse, and let it go there. Where it probably got its neck snapped in someone else's traditional trap.

Not surprisingly, we did only have one mouse in our place (it's amazing how much mess one mouse can make, and you just can't tell them apart), and it was just getting a free treat, a ride in a box, and then got to go straight back in whatever crack it found.

By [xrayzpx](#) 13 days later:

Oh, and I'm amazed anyone can afford to manufacture anything in New Castle, which was what I originally wanted to comment on. Where? It's only like what, 37 sq feet (0.8sq mi/512 acres, just looked it up). Are they eccentric trillionaires?

By [Jim Slater](#) over 1 year later:

Great story about the Mice Cube. A terrific success story for inventors. FYI, the inventor's name is Ken Bernard. He's from Haverhill, MA. A big thumb's up to your blog, Jim <http://www.buy-lemons-online.com/>

By [Jim Slater](#) over 1 year later:

Here is a copy of the news story about Mice Cube that was in the Boston Globe...

To build a better mousetrap: This one keeps them alive

Ralph Jimenez, Globe Staff, The Boston Globe, January 24, 1993

MANCHESTER - Is New Hampshire's Queen City destined to become the mousetrap capital of the world? Tom Eifler and Irwin Blau, owners of Pied Piper International, are working on it.

In 1986, Plaistow inventor Ken Bernard added a new weapon to the venerable battle between man and mouse. No longer did humankind have to rely on carving knives, snap traps, poisons, glue traps or cats. The Mice Cube rids buildings of rodents without the blood and gore of snap traps or

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the risk to pets and children of poison, said Eifler, whose company bought the rights to make and market the product.

The traps are manufactured and shipped for Pied Piper by Hermsdorf Plastic Co. of Manchester. "If the sales curve continues the way it has for the past six months, we will sell somewhere between 250,000 and 500,000 traps next year," said Eifler. "But one order from a chain like True Value Hardware could mean 750,000 more traps. And we are waiting for a letter from Wal-Mart. If they say yes, we'll take a week off."

The traps are not actually cubes, but rectangular boxes made of smoked plastic. One end of the box is formed by a one-way swinging door. Mice smell the bait - a dab of peanut butter works best, Eifler said - through the seven holes in the other end of the cube and explore until they push the door open and enter.

Once trapped, a mouse can be released unharmed - an option that has made the Mice Cube a big seller at stores for the ecologically correct. "There are a lot of problems with snap traps. If they are not set correctly, the mouse takes the bait. If it does snap, sometimes it catches a tail or foot and the mouse chews it off to escape. The glue traps are even more inhumane," Eifler said. "Our trap has been endorsed by People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals. It's a big seller in ecology stores, and those people are letting the mice go."

Mice can be killed by placing the trap on end and blocking the air holes. Most people, however, throw the \$1.99 trap away, mouse and all.

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