

Woodpecker Solutions Compared

For owners, HOAs and property managers

DETERRENTS BUY TIME. ULTRA-GUARD FIXES THE WALL.

Woodpeckers are protected under the federal Migratory Bird Treaty Act, so the fix has to be a wall they can't damage, not a fight with the birds. This sheet compares the options most owners try.

Option	How It Works	Stops Drilling?	Appearance	Fixes Existing Damage?	Long-Term Cost
Decoys (owls, hawks)	Visual scare	NO Birds stop being fooled, often within weeks	PARTIAL Visible on the building	NO	PARTIAL Low upfront, replaced often
Reflective tape, scare balloons	Flash and movement scare	NO Loses effect as birds adjust	NO Unsightly	NO	PARTIAL Ongoing replacement
Sound devices	Distress calls or noise	PARTIAL Short-term at best	PARTIAL Noise for neighbors	NO	PARTIAL Device plus power and upkeep
Netting	Physical barrier over the wall	PARTIAL Only while it stays up	NO Covers the facade	NO Can trap moisture and debris	PARTIAL Install plus maintenance
Patching holes	Repair the damaged spots	NO Same soft wall, often hit again	YES Matches when done well	PARTIAL Only the patched spots	NO Repeat repair bills
Ultra-Guard EIFS™	Cement board impact layer built into the wall	YES Hard face resists drilling	YES Matches your color and texture	YES Wet or damaged areas repaired first	YES One-time investment

WHY WOODPECKERS PICK EIFS

- The wall sounds hollow, like dead wood with insects inside.
- Foam behind a thin finish is easy to dig into for a nest.
- Once a bird finds a good spot, it tends to come back to the same building.
- Every hole lets water get behind the wall.

WHAT A HOLE REALLY COSTS

The hole is only the visible part. Water that gets in through peck holes can soak the insulation and rot the sheathing and framing behind it, which turns a small cosmetic repair into a much larger one. That's why every Ultra-Guard job starts with an inspection.

BEST FIT FOR ULTRA-GUARD

- Buildings that have been hit more than once
- Chimney chases, gables and upper walls
- HOAs and multi-family communities with repeat repair costs
- New construction near woods, water or open land

NEXT STEP

Free virtual estimate: email photos of each damaged area plus a wide shot of each elevation to ems@eifswallsystems.com.

On-site inspection: from \$150 anywhere in Hampton Roads. Call 757-833-4063.

Effectiveness notes are general field observations, not test results. Results vary by bird activity and building conditions.