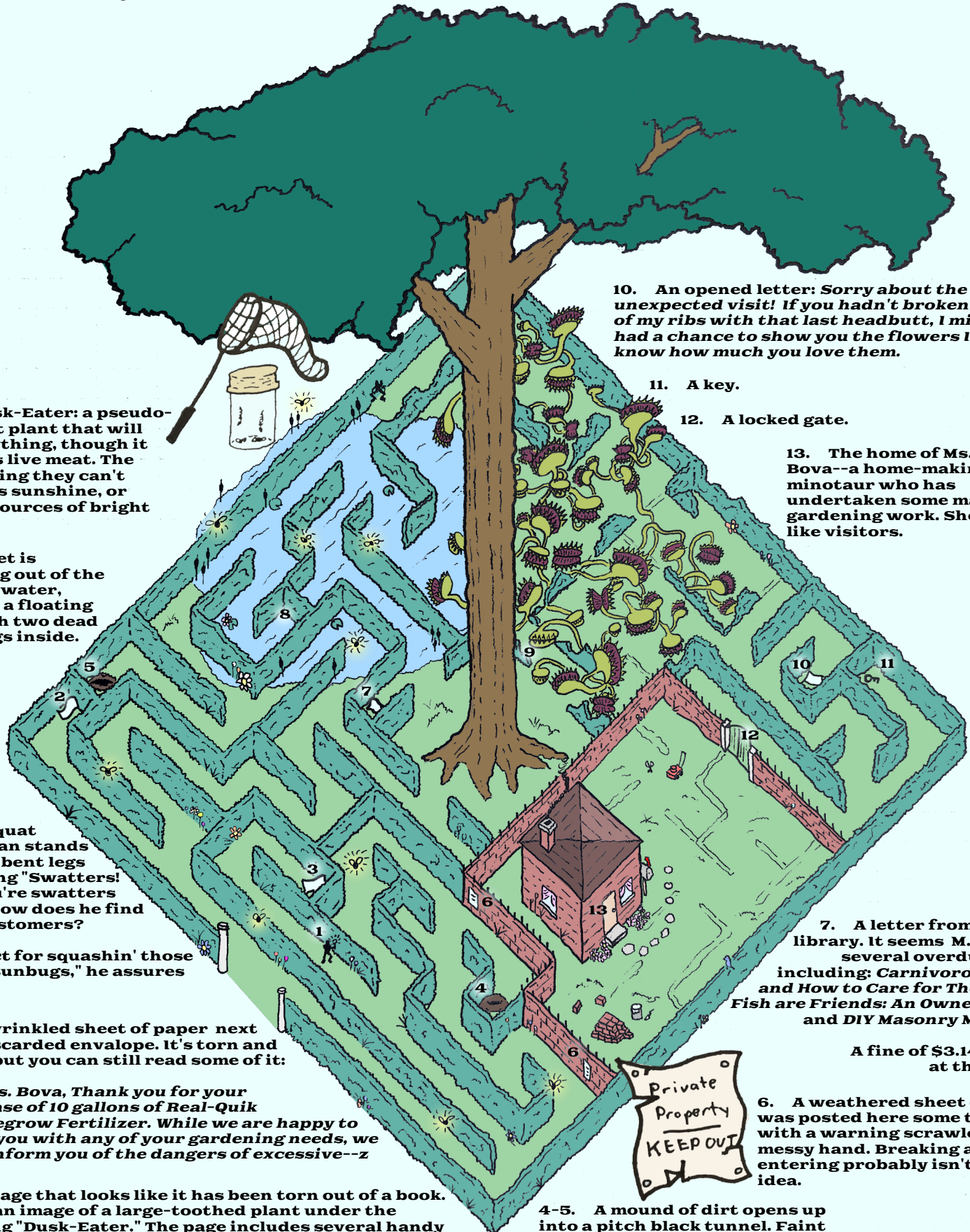


# Addressed to M. Bova

By Brad Fiore

The local post office has lost three carriers in the past month, trying to deliver mail to M. Bova at 222 Hedge Row. Standing between the two white columns that mark the entrance to her garden, you're finally beginning to understand why. Can you deliver her most recent letter, and locate her lost mail?



9. Dusk-Eater: a pseudo-sapient plant that will eat anything, though it prefers live meat. The only thing they can't stand is sunshine, or other sources of bright light.

8. A net is sticking out of the muddy water, next to a floating jar with two dead sunbugs inside.

1. A squat frog-man stands on two bent legs shouting "Swatters! Get you're swatters 'ere." How does he find any customers?

"Perfect for squashin' those pesky sunbugs," he assures you.

2. A wrinkled sheet of paper next to a discarded envelope. It's torn and dirty, but you can still read some of it:

Dear Ms. Bova, Thank you for your purchase of 10 gallons of Real-Quik Miraclegrow Fertilizer. While we are happy to assist you with any of your gardening needs, we must inform you of the dangers of excessive--z

3. A page that looks like it has been torn out of a book. It has an image of a large-toothed plant under the heading "Dusk-Eater." The page includes several handy tips on how to care for them, and reminds the reader to never, ever, leave Dusk-eaters in direct sunlight.

4-5. A mound of dirt opens up into a pitch black tunnel. Faint scratching noises can be heard from inside.

10. An opened letter: Sorry about the unexpected visit! If you hadn't broken so many of my ribs with that last headbutt, I might have had a chance to show you the flowers I picked. I know how much you love them.

11. A key.

12. A locked gate.

13. The home of Ms. M Bova--a home-making minotaur who has undertaken some major gardening work. She doesn't like visitors.

7. A letter from the local library. It seems M. Bova has several overdue books, including: *Carnivorous Plants and How to Care for Them*, *Blood Fish are Friends: An Owner's Guide*, and *DIY Masonry Made Easy*.

A fine of \$3.14 is listed at the bottom.

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KEEP OUT

6. A weathered sheet of paper was posted here some time ago, with a warning scrawled in a messy hand. Breaking and entering probably isn't a good idea.