COMMON SPIDERS OF WA



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DEADLY & DANGEROUS

RED BACK SPIDER

THE RED-BACK SPIDER SIZE VARIES GREATLY. THE MALE CAN BE TINY, WITH THE ABDOMEN OF THE FEMALE GROWING TO THE SIZE OF A LARGE PEA.

RED-BACK SPIDERS DO NOT ALWAYS HAVE A "RED" MARKING. RED BACK EGGS APPEAR CREAM/BEIGE IN COLOUR AND ROUND IN SHAPE.





Female, male and egg

NOTE:

MALE SPIDERS

HAVE SMALLER

ABDOMINS THAN

FEMALE SPIDERS

WHITE TAIL SPIDER

THE WHITE TAIL ARE MEDIUM SIZED SPIDER, WITH CYLINDRICAL ABDOMENS, GREY TO BLACK BODIES WITH STOUT LEGS AND A WHITE PATCH AT THE TIP OF THE ABDOMEN.

IF THEY ARE COMMON IN THE HOUSE, IT IS A GOOD IDEA TO CHECK BEDDING BEFORE BED. ALSO, CHECK YOUR SHOES BEFORE PUTTING THEM ON AND DO NOT LEAVE CLOTHING ON THE FLOOR, AS THESE SPIDERS ARE OFTEN FOUND SHELTERING IN SUCH SITUATIONS.





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SPIDERS CAN BE BENEFICIAL AROUND A HOME FOR CONTROL OF INSECTS, FLIES AND MOSQUITOS

TOXIC-POISONOUS & PAINFUL BITE

WOLF SPIDER

WOLF SPIDERS RANGE IN SIZE FROM 1-8CM ACROSS THE LEGS. MOST WOLF SPIDERS ARE TYPICALLY DRAB BROWN-GREY WITH VARIEGATED BLACK OR FAWN PATTERNS ON THEM. THEY ARE NOT DANGEROUS TO HUMANS, ALTHOUGH ONE SPECIES CAN GIVE A PAINFUL BITE, WHICH HAS BEEN KNOWN TO CAUSE BLISTERING SKIN LESIONS AND INFECTION. FOR THIS REASON YOU SHOULD CONSIDER WEARING GLOVES WHEN GARDENING.





WARNING:

ALL SPIDERS

CAN BE

DANGEROUS TO

PEOPLE WITH

ALLERGIES OR

HYPER

SENSITIVITIES

BLACK HOUSE SPIDER

BLACK HOUSE SPIDERS ARE ALSO CALLED WINDOW SPIDERS BECAUSE OF THE TENDENCY TO BUILD THEIR WEBS AROUND WINDOW FRAMES. THE UNTIDY, ZIGZAG THREADED WEBS USUALLY HAVE ONE OR TWO FUNNEL-SHAPED ENTRANCES LEADING INTO A TUBULAR RETREAT, AND SOME PEOPLE MISTAKENLY THINK THEY MAY BE FUNNEL-WEB SPIDERS. THESE ROBUST, HAIRY SPIDERS RANGE FROM 9MM (MALE) TO 18MM (FEMALE) IN LENGTH, ARE GREY TO BLACK IN COLOUR.





LOW RISK & NON-AGGRESSIVE

HUNTSMAN

THESE LARGE, HAIRY GREY-BROWN SPIDERS HAVE FLATTENED BODIES. PREFERRING TO LIVE OUTSIDE UNDER THE BARK OF TREES OR UNDER ROCKS AND LOGS ON THE GROUND. THEY ARE TYPICALLY LONG-LEGGED (FEMALES CAN REACH SIZES UP TO 15CM ACROSS THE LEGS) WITH FORWARD FACING LEGS.

ALTHOUGH SOME HUNTSMAN SPIDERS CAN GIVE A PAINFUL BITE, THEY ARE NOT CONSIDERED DANGEROUS TO HUMANS.





GARDEN ORB WEAVER

CAN REACH 20-24MM IN LENGTH.
THEY ARE FAMED FOR THEIR LARGE
ORB SHAPED WEBS. THEIR
ABDOMENS HAVE A VARIETY OF
PATTERNS OF COLOUR AND SHAPE
BUT TWO FEATURES COMMON TO
THESE SPIDERS ARE THE RED
COLOURING IN THE LEG JOINTS AND
THEIR ABILITY TO CHANGE COLOUR
TO SUIT THEIR SURROUNDINGS.

THEY ARE CONSIDERED HARMLESS
TO HUMANS AND BITES ARE
EXTREMELY RARE





DADDY LONG LEGS

THESE SPIDERS ARE OFTEN FOUND IN THE HOUSE OR SHED WITH THEIR THIN, TANGLED WEBS BEHIND DOORS OR ATTACHED TO CEILINGS AND UPPER WALLS IN THE CORNERS OF ROOMS.

THESE SPIDERS ARE HARMLESS BUT, QUITE INCORRECTLY, RENOWNED FOR BEING DEADLY POISONOUS. ALTHOUGH THEIR VENOM IS QUITE TOXIC, THEIR TINY FANGS ARE INCAPABLE OF PENETRATING HUMAN SKIN.







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