

Spider Identification Chart

Deadly & Dangerous



Redback

Prefers dry & sheltered areas under houses, toilets, garages & rubbish areas. May or may not have red mark.



Male Funnel-Web

Favours moist dark areas. Spur on second pair of legs. Active during late summer, autumn.



Female Funnel-Web

Long Spinnerets



White Tail

Cigar shaped body. Found under bark of trees, litter, crevices outside and moist areas inside.

Toxic & Poisonous



Wolf Spider

Union jack on cephalothorax. Inhabits garden, making holes in the ground. Moves very fast when disturbed.



Male Mouse Spider

Roams looking for the female. Toxic and fangs can cause painful bite.



Female Mouse Spider

Often mistaken for Sydney funnel web. Lives in the ground. Toxic and fangs can cause painful bite.

Long Spinnerets



Common Black House Spider

Makes an untidy felted web. Likes rockwalls, sheds, toilets, window frames & guttering.

The "Low Risk" Spiders



Saint Andrew's Cross

Not toxic. Hangs in web in shape of cross.



Male Trap-Door

Can be mistaken as funnel web. Lives in ground. Not toxic. Bites are painful.



Female Trap-Door

Lives in ground. Not toxic. Bites are painful.



Huntsman

First two pairs of legs longer than rear two. Not toxic. Might cause painful bite.



Garden orb-weaver

Hides in foliage during day. Not toxic. Seldom bites.