

TRULY ON German Cockroaches



The German Cockroach is the most common species in the world and is found worldwide. It was introduced to North America when transported aboard ships from Europe. German Cockroaches are scavengers that consume almost anything that they find.

The adult is 1.25 cm to 1.5 cm. They are light brown to tan in colour with two dark stripes running parallel just behind the head and have spiny legs and long, filamentous antennae. The adult male abdomen is boat-shaped, while the female is wider and rounder. German Cockroaches breed year round 4-5 egg capsules in a lifetime with 30-48 eggs per capsule. The eggs will hatch in approximately 28 to 30 days and the offspring are active immediately.

The adults live about 200 days. German Cockroaches are dependent on man for survival





and are omnivores, eating meat and plant material. While human food is preferred, Cockroaches will consume paper, hair, canvas, fabric, the paste in book bindings, sewage and much more.

They thrive in warm, moist environments and during the

day, cluster behind baseboards & cabinets, in wall voids and under kitchen appliances. The Cockroach seeks out harborage that allows body to be in contact with both upper and lower surfaces and will spend 75% of time tucked away in these harborage areas. Seeing roaches during the day is sign of larger infestation. Cockroaches are significantly implicated in transmission of Salmonella, a bacterium causing food poisoning, dysentery, and/or diarrhea. Bacteria in roach's digestive tract is transmitted to mammals via indirect contact with food or utensils soiled by roach excrement. Remnants of roach exoskeletons and fecal matter decompose and become airborne, acting as allergens. Foul odors secreted by scent glands on insect's abdomen and regurgitated fluids can cause dizziness, nausea and burning sensations in humans. Infestations can cause significant human stress, anxiety and trauma, as well as social stigma.

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