

Jumping Spider

Size: Adults range from 1/8" to 3/4" long.



Description:

- Colour usually black to pale brown.
- This spider is robust with short compact legs.
- Densely covered with hairs.

Biology and Habits: Jumping Spiders build webs for retreats, harborage, night time seclusion and egg laying. They do not build webs to catch their prey. They literally Hunt and chase their prey during daylight hours and retreat to their webs at night.

Normally they jump 1" to 2" when hunting and when threatened are capable of jumping 20 times their body length to escape.

Life expectancy is approx 16 months.

Female egg sacs contain approx. 150 eggs. The hatched siblings overwinter in the "web retreat" until they are adults the following May.

Control: Chemical Control for these spiders isn't warranted. Exclusion, removal of outdoor harborages and relocation of spiders in their "web retreats" are all that is required.