

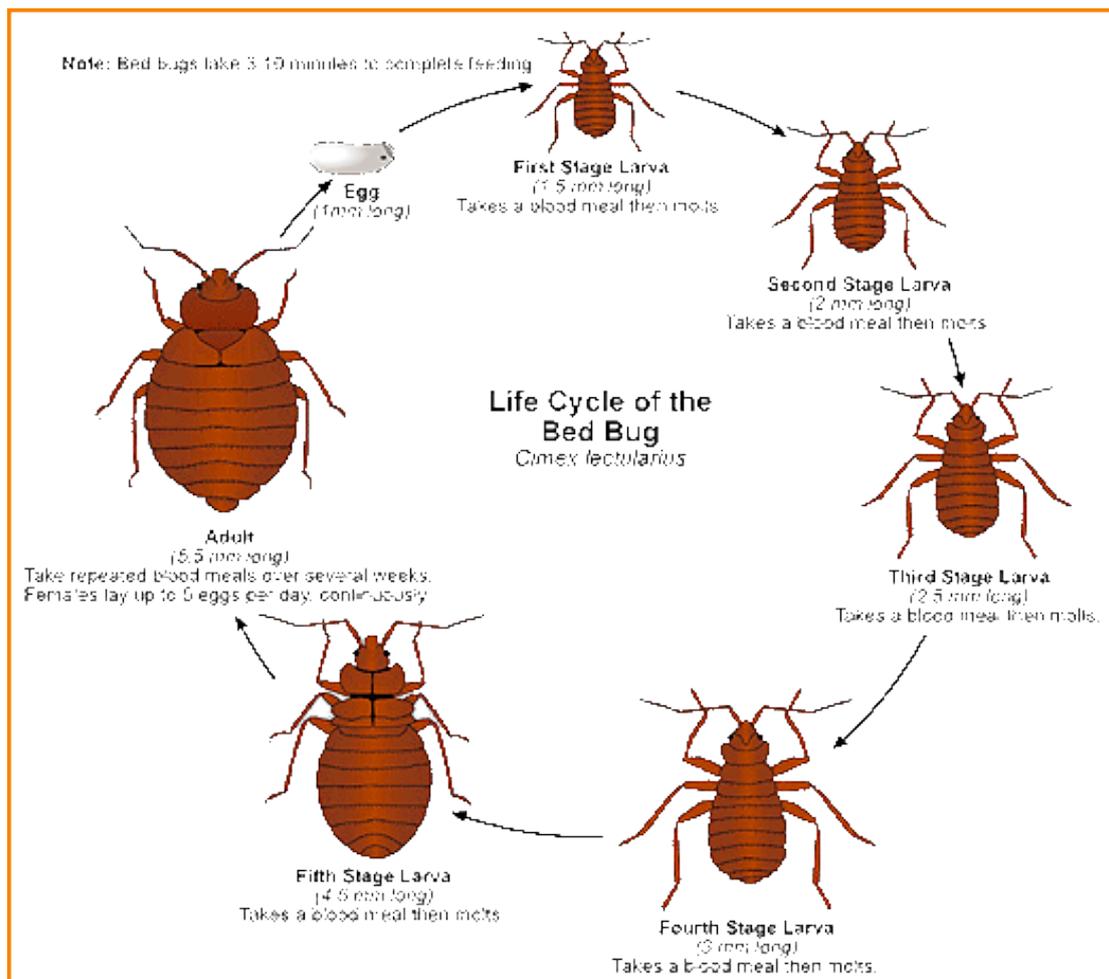


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BED BUGS



Bed bugs are small non-flying insects with a flat oval shape about the size of an apple pip. Their flattened body allows them to squeeze into small cracks and crevices and as a result they can be hard to detect and eradicate. They are blood-sucking insects that require blood for nutrition and development.

In Australia there are two species, the common bed bug, *Cimex lectularius*, and the tropical bed bug, *Cimex hemipterus*. The type will depend on the location of the property affected. Fortunately the two species are similar and the same control strategies can be used for both.

Bed bugs feed mostly at night when the host is asleep. Bites cause small, hard, swollen welts on the skin that may become inflamed and itch severely.

Bed bugs have not been implicated in the transmission of diseases. Their medical significance is usually limited to the irritation from their bites.

PEST CONTROL FOR BED BUGS

Getting rid of bed bugs is not an easy task. The bed bug is described to look like a tick so the process of identifying one from the other is a hard task. Though a tick feeds primarily on animals like dogs or cats, some bed bugs feed on humans.

In getting rid of bed bugs, one has to remember why they are loathsome. Bed bugs are often seen as vampiric creature. They lie in wait for their prey and patiently take the time to come out and feed. No wonder many want to get rid of bed bugs.

But it is not so easy to find and get rid of bed bugs. They are tiny creatures and can only be correctly identified by closer examination. However, when bed bugs start to infest a house, even the small animals can be at risk. To get rid of bed bugs in some furniture may require a change or buying new ones to replace the old.



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Bed bugs are tricky and resilient. Like the cockroach, getting rid of bed bugs will require a commitment from the owner. These parasites can live in sofas and carpeting without our knowledge. What makes this task of finding and getting rid of bed bugs is that the little buggers can thrive in seemingly neat and orderly rooms.

A definition of a bed bug's habitat is warm areas with plenty of hiding places. It must be close to human contact. The most obvious places to look and get rid of bed bugs are in mattresses, carpeting, throw pillows and sofa beds. Regardless of how clean or maintained these furniture are only if they are pre-treated to get rid of bed bugs can one be absolutely sure that they are safe.

Bed bugs aren't called bed bugs for nothing. They have such a name because bed bugs often hide in tufts, seams, and crevices of the mattress, bed frame, box spring, and headboard. Things to look for in getting rid of bed bugs are the bugs themselves and light brown spots of molted skin. The dark spots of bed bug excrement are also present along mattress seams of where the pests stayed. Thorough inspection of the bed will save time and money.

These bed bugs can be found in tiny cracks near where humans take a break, sleep or relax. Making sure to get rid of the bed bugs in upholstery may require a good dose of vacuuming. This way they can get the dust mites as well.

Once identified, getting rid of bed bugs takes two steps. One is spraying. There are pesticides available to users and are quite effective in getting rid of bed bugs. A general-purpose insecticide spray should be used to get rid of bed bugs on carpets and furnitures. But the most important pest control tool in use is an insecticide dust. The dusting is what gets rid of the bed bugs by killing them in the places where they hide.

A lethal combination of odorless spray and insecticide dust is needed to get rid of bed bugs populations, paying very special attention to dusting all their hiding places. Once mattresses have been cleaned and treated with the odorless dust, plastic covers placed over the mattresses will keep bugs in and keep others out.

It is still good advice to have your furniture replaced, if possible, to avoid the spread of these bed bugs to other areas in your home. Not only do you permanently get rid of bed bugs, you also considerably reduce their population. Some experts recommend burning these affected furniture to get rid of bed bugs and stop them from spreading but the environment effects can be worse.



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To get rid of bed bugs, the owner just need to contact J&J's Pest Control Services. Our pest controls are experts in identifying whether the bed bugs are the ones that feed on human or those that animals know about. A softer bed that may have infestations on it can be just as dangerous as a plan to rid of bed bugs show up from out of nowhere.

Ring J&J's Pest Control Services on (02) 9740 5557 or 0411 211 843: successful pest control of ants depends on many variables learnt from technical training and practical experience in a wide variety of situations.

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