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Animal Fact Sheet

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American cockroach

Periplaneta americana

The American cockroach is one of the largest and most common cockroach species found worldwide, particularly in warm and humid environments. Recognizable by its reddish-brown color and yellowish figu…

Quick facts

Classification: Invertebrate
Family: Blattidae
Habitat: Urban environments, sewers, basements, tropical and subtropical regions
Diet: Omnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 1-2 years
Weight: 0.8-1.6 grams
Scientific name: Periplaneta americana

Did you know?

- Despite their reputation, American cockroaches play an important role in the ecosystem by breaking down organic matter and recycling nutrients.
- American cockroaches can run up to 3.4 miles per hour, making them one of the fastest running insects. They are capable of gliding short distances an…

What I learned

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