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Assassin Bug

Reduviidae (family level, includes many genera and species)

Assassin bugs are a diverse group of predatory insects known for their elongated bodies, narrow heads, and distinctive curved mouthparts used for piercing and injecting venom into prey. These bugs in...

Quick facts

Classification: Invertebrate

Family: Reduviidae

Habitat: Forests, grasslands, gardens, and human dwellings

Diet: Carnivore

Conservation status: Least Concern

Lifespan: 1-2 years

Weight: 0.02-0.1 grams

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Did you know?

- Certain assassin bugs in the genus *Triatoma*, known as kissing bugs, can transmit the parasite that causes Chagas disease in humans.
- Assassin bugs use their needle-like proboscis to inject a potent saliva that liquefies their prey's insides, which they then suck up. Some species ex...

What I learned
