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Animal Fact Sheet

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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

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