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Animal Fact Sheet

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Brown Recluse Spider

Loxosceles reclusa

The brown recluse is one of the most over-diagnosed animals in medicine. The reliable way to identify one is not the "violin" marking on the back, which is variable and is shared by many harmless spi…

Quick facts

Classification: Invertebrate
Family: Sicariidae
Habitat: Woodlands, human dwellings, and sheltered outdoor locations
Diet: Carnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 1-2 years
Weight: 2-3 mg
Scientific name: Loxosceles reclusa

Did you know?

- Brown Recluse Spiders build irregular, sticky webs only for shelter, not for catching prey.
- Brown recluses can survive many months without food or water, which is part of why they thrive in the dry undisturbed corners of houses. They are gen…

What I learned

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