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Giant Water Bug

Lethocerus americanus

The Giant Water Bug is a large predatory insect found in freshwater environments across the Americas, Asia, and other parts of the world. Known for their impressive size, some species can grow up to ...

Quick facts

Classification: Invertebrate

Family: Belostomatidae

Habitat: Freshwater ponds, lakes, marshes, and slow-moving streams

Diet: Carnivore

Conservation status: Least Concern

Lifespan: 1-2 years

Weight: 4-10 grams

Scientific name: *Lethocerus americanus*

Did you know?

- Male Giant Water Bugs in some species carry their eggs on their backs until they hatch, offering them protection and aeration.
- Giant Water Bugs are sometimes called 'toe-biters' due to their painful bite experienced by waders. They can feign death by remaining motionless when...

What I learned
