

Animal Fact Sheet

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Red Velvet Mite

Trombidium holosericeum

The Red Velvet Mite is a strikingly bright red arachnid known for its soft, velvety appearance. These small invertebrates are often seen crawling on the ground after rain, especially in forests and g...

Quick facts

Classification: Invertebrate

Family: Trombidiidae

Habitat: Moist forest floor and grassland leaf litter

Diet: Carnivore

Conservation status: Least Concern

Lifespan: 1-2 years

Weight: 1-10 mg

Scientific name: Trombidium holosericeum

Did you know?

- Despite their tiny size, adult Red Velvet Mites can consume prey several times larger than themselves.
- Red Velvet Mites produce a chemical that makes them unpalatable to predators. Their larvae are parasitic, attaching to insects and drawing sustenance...

What I learned

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