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Animal Fact Sheet

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Stalk-eyed Fly

Diopsis longicornis

Stalk-eyed flies (family Diopsidae) carry their eyes and antennae on the ends of long lateral stalks, and in some species the distance between the eyes exceeds the length of the whole body. The stalk…

Quick facts

Classification: Invertebrate
Family: Diopsidae
Habitat: Tropical and subtropical wetlands and forests
Diet: Omnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 1-3 months
Weight: 10-30 mg
Scientific name: Diopsis longicornis

Did you know?

- The distance between a male stalk-eyed fly's eyes can be greater than the length of its own body.
- A newly emerged stalk-eyed fly inflates its eyestalks by pumping air through them like a balloon, and it can only do this once. Males settle contests…

What I learned

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