

# Animal Fact Sheet

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## Water Scorpion

*Nepa cinerea*

The Water Scorpion is an aquatic insect that closely resembles a terrestrial scorpion due to its raptorial front legs and elongated body, though it is unrelated. Found in still or slow-moving freshwa...

### Quick facts

**Classification:** Invertebrate

**Family:** Nepidae

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

**Diet:** Carnivore

**Conservation status:** Least Concern

**Lifespan:** 1-2 years

**Weight:** 0.3-0.5 grams

**Scientific name:** *Nepa cinerea*

### Did you know?

- Water Scorpions can survive out of water for short periods and sometimes fly to new locations in search of better habitats.
- Despite their intimidating appearance, Water Scorpions are harmless to humans. Their 'tail' is not a stinger, but a breathing siphon. They capture an...

### What I learned

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