

# Pest Bio

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## Clover Mite



**These tiny red pests invade homes in the thousands, getting through the tiniest cracks and crevices.**

Although Clover Mites are only 1/30th of an inch big they are actually one of the largest mites found. Clover Mites are commonly mistaken as an insect as their front legs are very long and look more like antennae. Clover mites are not harmful to people and do not bite. Clover Mites are parthenogenetic, which means they develop from unfertilized eggs and are all female. Clover mites are attracted to water so having a pool, bird bath or even just a well soaked lawn can attract them.

**Call Barrier for help managing Clover Mites!**

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### DIET

Clover mites feed on plants. They eat by sucking plant juices from clover, grasses and other plants common in lawns.

### HABITAT

Clover mites prefer to live in well fertilized and watered lawns. Adult Clover mites like to congregate on walls and vegetation, especially when exposed to sunlight.

### BEHAVIOR

Because of the Clover Mites love of sunshine they tend to gather on sunny southern and eastern walls of homes and can enter the home from the smallest of cracks .

### Clover Mite Facts:

Size: 0.75-0.85 mm

Shape: Oval

Color: Bright Red to Reddish Brown

Legs: 8

Wings: No

Antenna: No

### Scientific Name:

Kingdom:

-Animalia

Phylum:

-Arthropoda

Class:

-Arachnida

Order:

-Trombidiformes

Family:

-Tetranychidae

Genus:

-Bryobia