

Pest Bio

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German Cockroach



German Cockroaches are the intermediate hosts of the Spiney Headed Worm parasite *Moniliformis kalahariensis*.

Not only are German Cockroaches the most common species of cockroaches in Idaho but they are also the fastest reproducing residential cockroach growing from egg to reproductive adult in just 50-60 days. One female can produce up to 500,000 offspring. German Cockroaches are unable to survive in locations away from humans of human activity. Scientists suggest that infestations may cause human psychological stress as people will entertain less and avoid their kitchens.

**Call Barrier for help
managing Cockroaches**

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DIET

German Cockroaches are omnivorous scavengers and are attracted to meats, starches, sugars and fatty foods. When food is sparse they may eat soap, glue and toothpaste or each other.

HABITAT

German Cockroaches prefer warm and humid environments close to food and water sources and are most likely to be found crawling around the bathrooms and kitchen.

BEHAVIOR

German Cockroaches are nocturnal and prefer to move around in the dark. If you turn on a light in a dark room with cockroaches they will scatter and run for cover.

German Cockroach Facts:

Size: 1.1 - 1.6 cm

Shape: Long/Oval

Color: Tan to Dark Brown

Legs: 6

Wings: Yes

Antenna: Yes

Scientific Name:

Kingdom:

-Animalia

Pylum:

-Arthropoda

Class:

-Insecta

Order:

-Blattodea

Family:

-Ectobiidae

Genus:

-Blattella