



What's Eating Your Collection?

Fungus beetle *Mycetophagus quadriguttatus*

Adult beetle

Size: 1.5-2.5mm

Shape: Oval

Colour: Brown.

Antennae: Medium with a loose club

Distinguishing features: This species has four indistinct, lighter, patches on the wing cases. Other species of *Mycetophagus* have more pale patches or are plain brown.

Larvae are pests of: mould and mould spores

Damage: Larvae can occasionally damage damp paper

Adults eat: Not known

They are indicators of high local humidity. One or two specimens do not indicate a problem, large numbers indicate that the damp source needs to be investigated.



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Cryptophagus
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