



# What's Eating Your Collection?

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## Thylocladius female The Odd Beetle

Adult female

Size: 3-4mm

Shape: oval

Colour: Brown

Antennae: short

Distinguishing features: Female has no wings or wing cases and is completely different from the male. The abdominal body segments can be clearly seen.

Adults eat: Very little

Larvae are pests of: Natural history collections and also feed on dead insects

Damage: Grazing and frass

Very rare in the UK but is an important pest in parts of the USA.



## Related Objects



The Odd Beetle  
*Thylo-drias contractus*



Thylo-drias larva