What's Eating Your Collection?

Hide beetle Dermestes haemorrhoidalis

Adult beetle

Size: 10mm or over

Shape: Oval

Colour: Shiny black with gold hairs on underside

Antennae: short, 3 segmented club

Distinguishing features: none

Larvae are pests of: dried animal protein

Damage is: occasionally tunnels for pupation

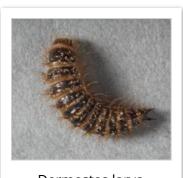
Adults eat: very little

Often found: associated with human food debris in mess rooms and eating areas. Pest of refuse collection areas of housing blocks. This is largely a city pest.

This species is very difficult to distinguish from Dermestes peruvianus



Related Objects



Dermestes larva



Hide or leather beetle Dermestes maculatus



Larder beetle Dermestes lardarius



Peruvian Hide beetle Dermestes peruvianus