



What's Eating Your Collection?

Plaster beetle *Enicmus fungicola*

Adult beetle

Size: 1-2mm

Shape: Pointed oval, (abdomen)

Colour: Brown

Antennae: Medium with a loose club

Distinguishing features: Flanges at edge of thorax - these are only visible with a microscope.

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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