



What's Eating Your Collection?

Hairy fungus beetle *Typhaea stercorea*

Adult beetle

Size: 1.5-2.5mm

Shape: Oval

Colour: Brown

Antennae: Medium with a club

Distinguishing features: Hairy abdomen and thorax.

Larvae are pests of: mouldy grain

Damage: Larvae can occasionally damage damp paper and books

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.



Related Objects



Fungus beetle *Corticaria*
sp



Fungus beetle
Cryptophagus
acutangulus



Fungus beetle
Mycetophagus
quadriguttatus



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