What's Eating Your Collection?

Flesh fly Sarcophaga

Adult fly. Nuisance insect.

Size: 10 - 12mm

Shape: Fat oval

Colour: Black with grey stripes

Antennae: Very short

Distinguishing features: One pair of transparent wings and a large bulky body with big eyes.

Larvae are not pests but live in decaying animal protein.

Adults eat: Very little. Lap up body fluids.

Damage: Adult flies can cause spotting on objects.

Often found on: Adults found on windows. Large numbers indicate a dead body nearby.



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