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## SPIDER CONTROL, EXTERMINATION & REMOVAL

**Are spiders and spider webs a frustrating problem around your home? Don't worry. At Termitrust we know pests so you don't have to.**

There are many species of spiders found around Australian homes and properties. These can include the Black House or Widow spider, Branded Orb spider, Brown Trapdoor spider, Funnel-web spider, Huntsman spider, Redback spider, Tropical Huntsman spider, White-tailed spider and Wolf spider.

Whilst the majority of spiders are non-aggressive, poisonous spiders such as the Redback and the Funnel-web are of obviously of great concern particularly for families with young children.

A professional treatment by Termitrust is your best choice to reduce the presence of spiders in your home and save you the hassle. We are trained in spider biology, breeding habits and the latest methods of keeping them at bay.

Most importantly, we know spiders in your local area. We have pest technicians on the ground in the following key locations and other surrounding regions:

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**We treat all types of spiders with the main ones being:**

- *Redback Spider*

The female Redback spider is venomous. The female is easily recognised with her black body and prominent red stripe. Females have a body length of about 10 mm.

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They lay egg sacks containing about 250 eggs, up to 10 times over 6 months.

The female spider lives in an untidy web in warm sheltered locations, and preys on insects and that it entraps but it can live for over 100 days without food. The male Redback is not venomous and is 3 to 4 mm long. It is light brown in colour, with white markings on the upper side of the abdomen and a pale hourglass marking on the underside. Young Redback spiders are grey with dark spots and become darker with each moult.

The Redback stays concealed during the day, and the female spins a web during the night, usually in the same location for most of its adult life. The Redback is one of the most dangerous species of spider.

- *Black House Spider*

The black house spider is a common species found throughout much of Australia. This spider is dark and robust with the female growing up to 18 mm length and with a 30 mm leg span. Males are smaller, growing in length to about 10 mm. They are dark brown to black and the abdomen is charcoal grey.

The webs of black house spiders are a messy-looking in irregular sail-like shapes. Inside homes, they are often found in corners, around windows and doorways, or other light sources that may attract prey insects. They are venomous, but are not considered dangerous.

- *White-tailed Spider*

White-tailed spiders are common in southern and eastern Australia. They are so named because of the whitish tips at the end of their abdomens. They are slender spiders having dark reddish to grey, cigar-shaped body and dark orange-brown banded legs.

The female grow up to 18 mm in length and males up to 12 mm. The legs span approximately 28 mm in diameter. Living in gardens and inside houses, the white-tailed spider can also be found beneath bark and rocks, in leaf litter and are often found in the folds of clothes, towels and shoes. They do not build webs and are most active at night. Their bites cause local pain, a red mark, local swelling and itchiness.

- *Funnel-web Spider*

These spiders are medium to large in size, with body lengths from 10 mm to 50 mm. They are darkly coloured, ranging from black to blue-black or plum to brown. They are commonly found in suburban rockeries and shrubberies. A Funnel-web's burrow characteristically has irregular silk trip-lines radiating from the entrance. Australian Funnel-web spiders are found in New South Wales, South Australia, Victoria, and Queensland.

### Targeted Spider Treatments

We have a range of specific treatments using registered products. Our professional technicians firstly identify the species and then recommend an appropriate treatment.

These include:

- Dusts
- Liquid spray applications

### Did you know...

- No two spider webs are the same
- Some male spiders pluck their cobwebs like a guitar, to attract female spiders
- Half a kilo of cobwebs spread out in one straight line will go 2 times around the earth
- Both male and female Sydney Funnel-web spiders carry atraxotoxin, one of the most dangerous of all toxins
- Jumping spiders can jump about 50 times their body length
- Spiders always have 4 legs touching the ground at any one time
- Most spiders are short sighted even though most have 4 sets of eyes
- Approximately 2000 people are bitten each year by Redback spiders

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