

Cobweb spider

Theridiidae

Adults: Generally small, except for the widows, which can be up to 20 mm long. Most have a large, spherical abdomen and small prosoma. Best distinguished by their web.

Body length: 3-16 mm



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Diet/web: Irregular, messy web. Often called “cobweb.” Spider hangs upside-down in web waiting for prey. Web has sticky outer threads that entangle insects.

