

Bite From A Black Widow Spider

Black Widow (Natasha Romanova) Black Widow has been the. reformed into a hero in The Avengers #30 (1966) and her most well-known design was introduced in The Amazing Spider-Man #86 (1970) 2878dd4871

Latrodectism Pain, muscle rigidity, vomiting
Latrodectism () is the illness caused by the bite of Latrodectus spiders (the black widow spider and related species). Pain, muscle rigidity, vomiting, and sweating are the symptoms of latrodectism. (/lətrə'dɛktɪzəm/) is the illness caused by the bite of Latrodectus spiders (the black widow spider and related species) 2878dd4871

Button spider family Theridiidae. There are both black and brown button spiders in Southern Africa, known elsewhere as widow spiders. Seven Latrodectus species can be 2878dd4871

List of medically significant spider bites Others have a limited distribution. Two medically important spider genera have a worldwide distribution—Latrodectus and Loxosceles. Almost all spiders produce venom but only a few are able to cause significant harm to humans. A number of spiders can cause spider bites that are medically important. Almost all spiders produce venom but only a few are able to cause significant A number of spiders can cause spider bites that are medically important 2878dd4871

Most spiders do not cause bites that are of importance. For a bite to be significant, substantial envenomation is required. Bites from the widow spiders involve a neurotoxic venom which produces a condition known as latrodectism. Symptoms may include pain which may be at the bite or involve the chest and abdomen, sweating, muscle cramps and vomiting among others. Bites from the recluse spiders cause the condition loxoscelism, in which local necrosis of the surrounding skin and

widespread breakdown of red blood cells may occur. Headaches, vomiting and a mild fever may also occur.

Other spiders that can cause significant bites include the Australian funnel-web spider and South American wandering spider. 2878dd4871 Efforts to prevent bites include clearing clutter and the use of pesticides. Most spider bites are managed with supportive care such as nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (including ibuprofen) for pain and antihistamines for itchiness... 2878dd4871 L. tredecimguttatus is black in color, similar to most other widow species, and is identified by the thirteen spots which are found on its dorsal abdomen (the species name is Latin for "with thirteen spots"). These spots are usually red in colour, but may also be yellow or orange. It is otherwise similar to other species in the genus Latrodectus. The Mediterranean widow primarily lives in steppes and other grasslands, and can be a significant problem in areas where grain is harvested by hand. The female of the species has a body length of about 7–15 mm (0.28–0.59 in), while the male is smaller and reaches 4–7 mm (0.16–0.28 in) at best. Only the... 2878dd4871 A member of the family Theridiidae, this genus contains 34 species, which include several North American "black widows" (southern black widow Latrodectus mactans, western black widow Latrodectus hesperus, and northern black widow Latrodectus variolus). Besides these, North America also has the red widow Latrodectus bishopi and the brown widow Latrodectus geometricus, which, in addition to North America, has a much wider geographic distribution. 2878dd4871 == Description == 2878dd4871 Medical reports have been criticized for poor evidence. In the last century, both white tailed and wolf spiders were considered medically significant, only to be recanted. Only ten genera (Atrax, Phoneutria, Loxosceles, Latrodectus, Hadronyche, Macrothele, Missulena, Illawarra, Sicarius, and Hexophthalma) are considered medically significant. Bites of these spiders have a range of severity, with only a minority having severe symptoms. Deaths by verified spider bites are exceedingly rare (e.g. not one in Australia since 1979). 2878dd4871 == Brazilian wandering spiders == 2878dd4871

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Latrodectus variolus *Latrodectus variolus*, the northern black widow spider or northern widow, is a venomous species of spider in the genus *Latrodectus* of the family Theridiidae 2878dd4871

== Signs and symptoms == 2878dd4871

Spider bite Most bites result A spider bite, also known as arachnidism, is an injury resulting from the bite of a spider. A spider bite, also known as arachnidism, is an injury resulting from the bite of a spider. Most bites result in mild symptoms around the area of the bite. Rarely they may produce a necrotic skin wound or severe pain. The effects of most bites are not serious. The effects of most bites are not serious 2878dd4871

Latrodectus tredecimguttatus *Latrodectus tredecimguttatus* was previously considered a subspecies of *Latrodectus mactans*. It is commonly found throughout the Mediterranean region and central Asia, hence the name. It is commonly found throughout *Latrodectus tredecimguttatus*, also known as the Mediterranean black widow or the European black widow, is a species in the genus *Latrodectus* of the widow spiders. known as the Mediterranean black widow or the European black widow, is a species in the genus *Latrodectus* of the widow spiders. Specimens from central Asia are also known by the binomial name *Latrodectus lugubris*; that name, however, is now considered improper, though it is still commonly found in the literature 2878dd4871

Latrodectus geometricus the brown widow, brown button spider, grey widow, brown black widow, house button spider or geometric button spider, is one of the widow spiders in the genus 2878dd4871

== Diversity == 2878dd4871

Latrodectus A member of the family Theridiidae, this genus *Latrodectus* is a broadly distributed genus of spiders informally called the widow spiders, with several species that are commonly known as the true widows. This group is composed of those often called black widow spiders, brown widow spiders, and similar spiders. This group is composed of those often called black widow spiders, brown widow

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Many spiders of the genus *Steatoda* are often mistaken for widow spiders (*Latrodectus*), and are known as false widows. The two genera are closely related – both occurring in the same family, *Theridiidae* – but *Steatoda* are significantly less harmful to humans. Not all *Steatoda* species resemble black widows – they come in many different colors and sizes, mostly smaller than *Latrodectus* species. *Steatoda paykulliana* can grow larger than the black widow, and *Steatoda castanea* looks more like a brown widow. 2878dd4871 == Description == 2878dd4871

Symptoms of a bite depend on the amount of venom injected. A bite of *Latrodectus* may not inject any venom (known as a dry bite), and so no illness occurs. About 75% of "wet" bites will have localized pain and little more. If, however, there is a substantial dose, a bite can cause latrodectism. The main symptoms are generalized muscle pain, stomach cramps, nausea and vomiting. 2878dd4871

Steatoda One common name is cupboard spider, for many species build their webs in dark, sheltered, undisturbed places around the house or garden, in sheds and garages, in compost bins, and in cupboards and dark nooks and corners. symptoms associated with a widow spider bite). grossa, after it was The spider genus *Steatoda*, in the family *Theridiidae*, includes about 120 recognized species, distributed around the world (including many cosmopolitan species which are found among human populations worldwide). The redback spider antivenom has been thought to be effective at treating bites from *S.* Signs of a *Steatoda* spider include a messy, tangled web with small white spots of spider droppings and insect exoskeletons in the area underneath the web 2878dd4871

There are several spider species all named black widow: southern black widow spider (*L. mactans*), the European black widow (*L. tredecimguttatus*), Western black widow spider (*L. hesperus*), Northern black widow spider (*L. variolus*). Other *Latrodectus* that cause latrodectism are the Australian redback spider (*L. hasselti*), the New Zealand katipō spider (*L. katipo*) and the South American *Latrodectus*

corallinus and Latrodectus curacaviensis. Several other members of the genus Latrodectus are not commonly associated with latrodectism, including the cosmopolitan brown widow (L. geometricus).
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