

A Bug's Life Longbodied cellar spider

Family: Pholcidae; Species: *Pholcus phalangioides*

Fun facts

- Also called daddy long-legs spiders
- Build large irregular, tangled webs in basements, crawlspaces, garages in structures
- Rest upside-down in web
- Female carries egg sac in her jaws
- Unusual defensive behavior of shaking and vibrating web

Identification

Eye arrangement (8): 8 small eyes grouped in unusual raised clump
Spider: Small (1/3" long), brown to cream-colored, dark marks on cephalothorax, cylindrical abdomen, very long, thin, banded legs, males have enlarged pedipalps

Management

- Natural enemy of many small insects in the indoor environment
- Not harmful or aggressive and can live in harmony with humans



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