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Medically Important

Sac Spider

(Family Cheiracanthidae)

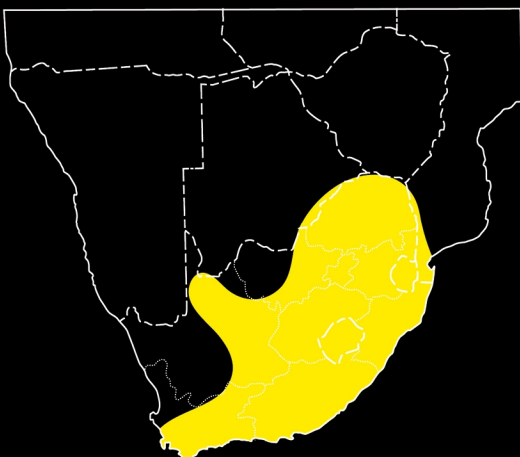


Maximum size
20 - 35 mm

These are free living spiders often found in plants and in houses where they build a silk sac under which they hide or lay eggs. They are a cream-white to pale yellow or reddish-brown with distinct black or dark mouth pieces.

Despite disputes, this species does possess a cytotoxic venom and bites can result in tissue damage and should be treated as an open wound. If the wound goes septic or necrotic it is best to seek medical attention

There are no human fatalities from this species.



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