

General Information

This pest is the only **crustacean** that can spend its entire life on land. Their shells look like armor and they are known for their ability to roll into a ball. Sometimes children call them rollie-pollies. Most Pill bugs live for up to two years. They are most active at night.

Size	¾"	Common Name	Pill bug
Shape	Oval, round	Kingdom	Animalia
Color	Dark brown to black	Phylum	Arthropoda
Legs	7 pair	Class	Malacostraca
Wings	No	Order	Isopoda
Antenna	Yes	Family	Armadillidiidae
		Genus Species	Armadillidium vulgare

Diet

Pill bugs mostly eat rotting vegetation like vegetables.

Habitat

Pill bugs live in wet locations. They are found under damp objects or in organic garbage. If Pill bugs enter a building, they will often dry out and die.

Impact

Pill bugs do not spread diseases or contaminate food.

Prevention

* Keep your homes and the areas around your home clean and dry.

To learn more about this and other pests, visit <http://www.pestworldforkids.org/research.html>