1. PaDIL Species Factsheet

Scientific Name:
*Neostylopyga rhombifolia* (Stoll, 1813)
(Blattodea: Blattidae: Blattinae)

Common Name
Harlequin Cockroach

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2. Species Information

2.1. Details

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2.2. URL


2.3. Facets

- **Commodity Overview:** Horticulture  
- **Commodity Type:** Citrus produce  
- **Groups:** Cockroaches  
- **Status:** NZ - Exotic  
- **Pest Status:** 0 Unknown  
- **Distribution:** 0 Unknown  
- **Host Family:** 0 Unknown

2.4. Other Names

- *Blatta rhombifolia* Stoll, 1813  
- *Neostylopyga histrio* (Saussure, 1864)  
- *Neostylopyga signata* (Eschscholtz, 1822)  
- *Periplaneta decorata* (Brunner von Wattenwyl, 1865)  
- *Polyzosteria heterospila* (Walker, 1871)

2.5. Diagnostic Notes

**Adult**

Large cockroach, 25-30 mm long; black with yellow pattern; tegmina reduced in both sexes to small lobes (4 mm long); hind wings absent; posterior margin of pronotum strongly sinuate; pronotum with a pale band along anterior margin; supraanal plate with a strong, median, V-shaped notch.

**Ootheca**

With average of 22 eggs.

**References**


2.6. References

3. Diagnostic Images

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