

Squash Bugs

Stages, damage and look-alikes



Adult squash bug:

- brown/gray, flat, shield-shaped
- rounded shoulders
- roughly 1/2–3/4 inch long



Squash bug eggs:

- bronze/copper
- laid in clusters on leaf undersides
- barrel-shaped



Squash bug nymphs:

- small, round-bodied
- light gray to dark gray
- cluster together early stage



Signs in the garden:

- yellowing leaves
- wilting vines
- eggs on leaf undersides



Often confused with:

- stink bugs, assassin bugs
- leaf-footed bugs, boxelder bugs
- Western conifer seed bug