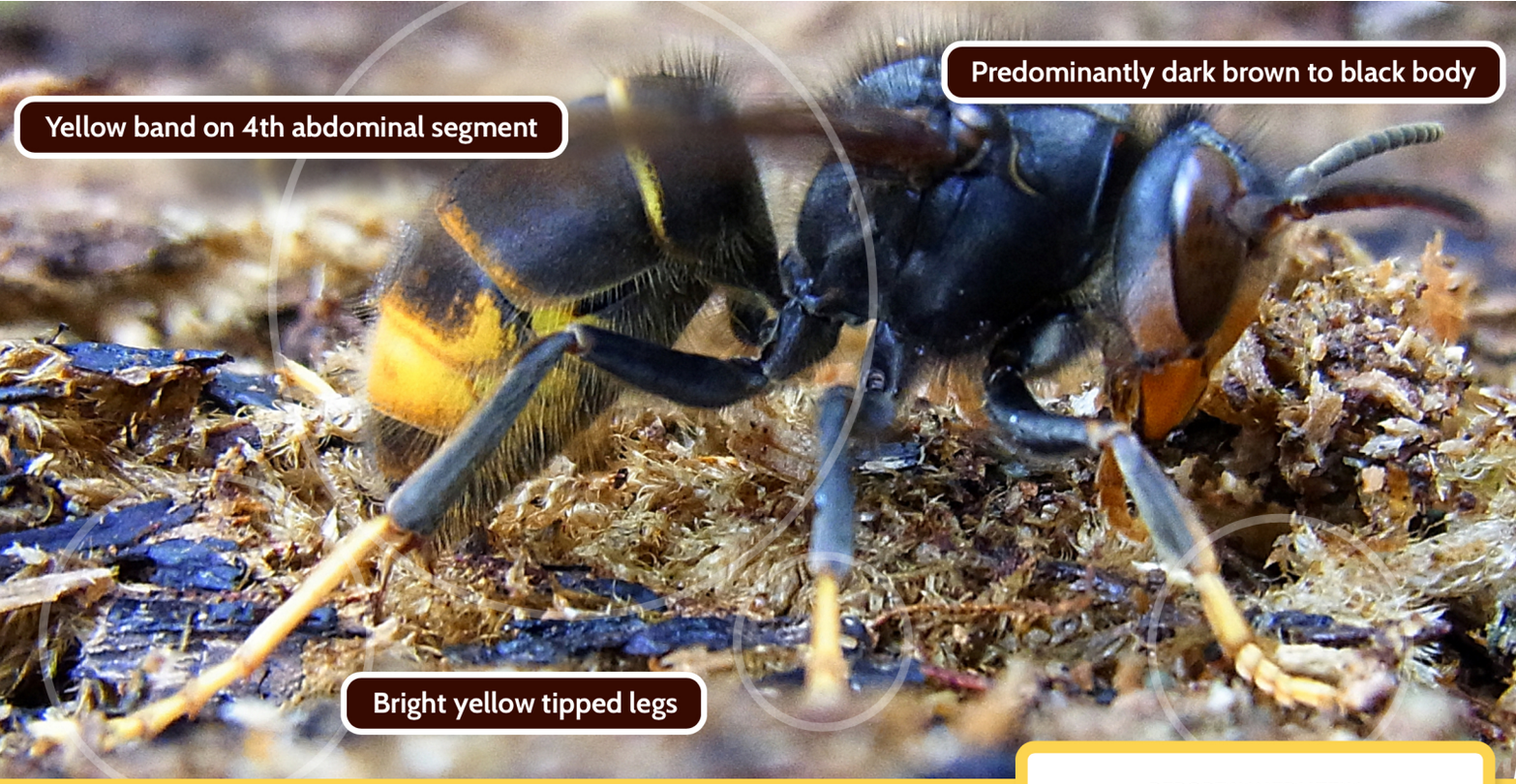


Spotted an Asian hornet?

(*Vespa velutina*) also known as the yellow-legged hornet

It is most likely to nest in high places, such as tall trees or human-made structures like rooftops and sheds. It prefers environments near food sources, particularly honeybee colonies, which it preys on.

⚠ ***Never attempt to capture, remove, destroy, or provoke an Asian Hornet or its nest, as this may cause it to become aggressive and put you in danger.***

REPORT IMMEDIATELY

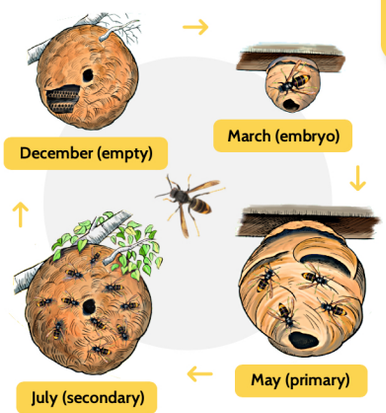
Scan this QR code with your phone camera to report an Asian hornet or a nest

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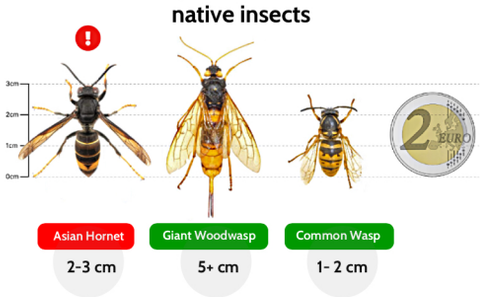


Nests are typically spherical and can grow large as the colony expands

Nests change in size and shape over the course of a year



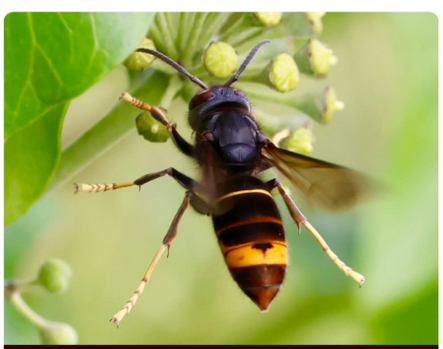
Commonly confused with other native insects



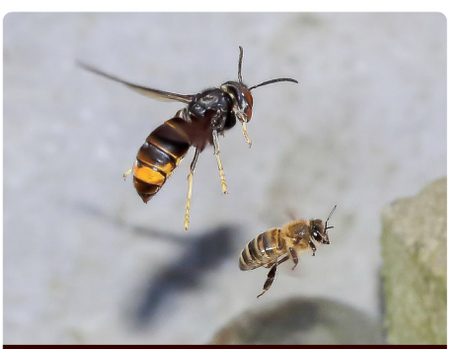
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Orange face with black markings and large eyes



Asian hornet foraging on Ivy



Asian hornet hunting a honeybee

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