

Stinging Insects of Allergenic Importance



Red Imported Fire Ant
Solenopsis invicta
Southern states and Pacific Coast



Black Imported Fire Ant
Solenopsis richteri
Southern states and Pacific Coast



Yellow Hornet
Dolichovespula arenaria
North America excluding Plains states

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Golden Paper Wasp
Polistes fuscatus ssp. aurifer
North America, predominantly the East



Baldfaced Hornet
Dolichovespula maculata
Northern-half of the US



Red Paper Wasp
Polistes annularis
Eastern and Midwestern states

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Common Paper Wasp
Polistes exclamans
Throughout the US, Canada, and Mexico



Black Paper Wasp
Polistes fuscatus
North America, predominantly the East



Common Brown Paper Wasp
Polistes metricus
Texas and Eastern states



Eastern Yellow Jacket
Vespula maculifrons
Eastern North America



German Yellow Jacket
Vespula germanica
Eastern and Western United States

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Honey Bee
Apis mellifera
Worldwide



Common Yellow Jacket
Vespula vulgaris
North America, especially Western and Northeastern states

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Southern Yellow Jacket
Vespula squamosa
Eastern United States



Western Yellow Jacket
Vespula pensylvanica
Western North America



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