

Le principali Blatte rinvenibili in abitazioni, industrie alimentari, cucine, magazzini etc. sono *Blatta Orientalis*, *Blattella Germanica*, *Periplaneta Americana*, *Supella Longipalpa*.

Blatta Orientalis – è il comune scarafaggio nero che infesta anche le abitazioni. L'adulto misura 20-24 mm. E' di colore bruno, tendente al nero e presenta dimorfismo sessuale: il maschio presenta ali sviluppate, la femmina ha ali anteriori molto brevi (vedi foto).



Preferiscono luoghi caldo umidi (benché riescano a sopportare temperature inferiori rispetto ad altre blatte, infatti le si può rinvenire in scantinati, fognature, condotte di tubi etc.) e tendono a rifuggere la luce. Le uova sono deposte in astucci detti ooteche (che ne contengono una quindicina).



Femmina di *B. Orientalis* con ooteche

Blattella Germanica – Più piccola della *Orientalis* (10 – 15 mm.) presenta due macchie scure allungate sul pronoto.





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