

BED BUGS

Don't Let Them Bite Our Community

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WHAT DO BED BUGS LOOK LIKE?

- Reddish-brown in color
- Flat
- Oval-shaped
- 3/16-inch long
- About the size of an apple seed



WHAT SHOULD I LOOK FOR?

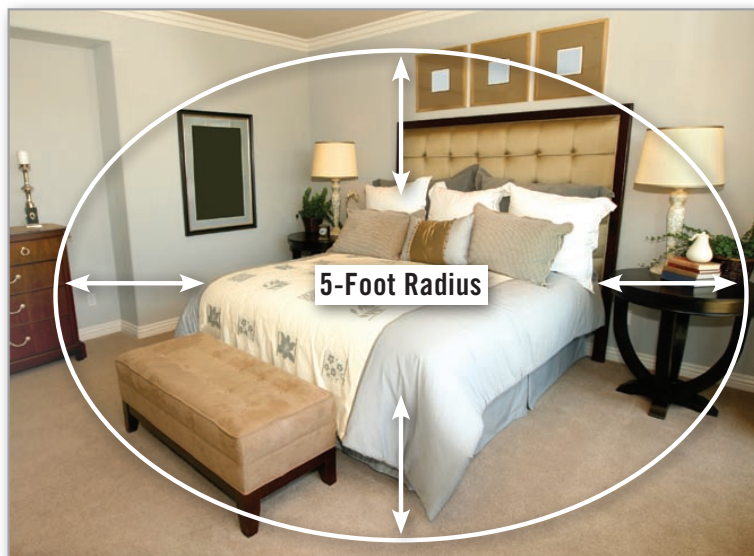
They often leave behind tiny, rust-colored stains that have a syrup-like smell, similar to soda pop. Look for these telltale stains:

- On mattress tags and seams
- On ceilings
- Under seat cushions
- Behind headboards
- In tiny cracks and crevices
- Around light switches

WHERE SHOULD I LOOK?

Bed bugs like to settle close to their food source – you. During the day, they don't live in the bed, but often hide within a five-foot radius of the bed:

- Under mattresses
- Under bed frames
- Near baseboards
- Behind picture frames
- In night stands
- Under buckling wallpaper or carpet
- Areas with excessive heat or moisture



HOW CAN I PREVENT THEM?

- Clear clutter, which makes bed bugs harder to find or treat.
- If you receive second-hand furniture, make sure you're not getting bed bugs along with it by inspecting for the aforementioned signs.
- Do not bring discarded furniture into your residence – there's a reason it was left by, or in, the dumpster.
- Inspect your luggage after traveling, and for an extra precaution, dry your clothes on high heat.
- Inspect your residence regularly – especially after move-in or trips.

WHAT SHOULD I DO IF I THINK I HAVE AN INFESTATION?

- Notify your property manager immediately.

For more information on bed bugs, call **1-800 800 ORKIN** or visit orkin.com. Remember, with everyone's help, you can sleep tight knowing bed bugs won't bite.

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