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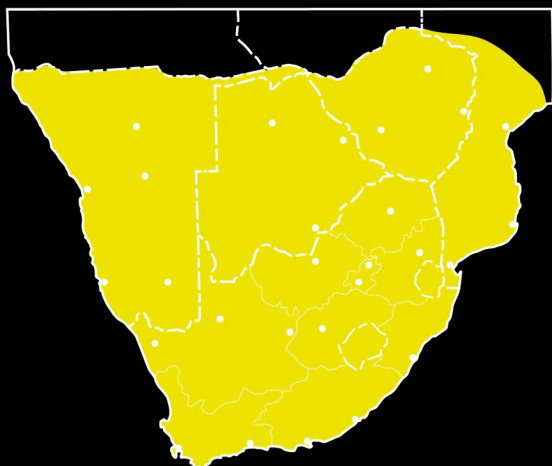


Spitting Spider

(*Scytodes sp.*)



Maximum size
10 - 20 mm



There are more than thirty species of these strange-looking spiders in southern Africa. They have a rounded body shape with a blunt head and long spindly legs.

These spiders are wanderers and don't build webs. They may be found in caves, beneath logs or rocks, as well as in piles of firewood. They are also common in dark corners of houses and in cupboards.

These spiders are slow-moving and move off if disturbed. They may be confused with the harmless Daddy-long legs spider or the venomous Violin Spider, but the distinctive head shape is notable.

