

Tick look-alikes

As winter leaves and the weather warms up, many bugs come out from hiding. Some bugs are less welcome than others, including the tick. Many bugs look like ticks that actually aren't. It is important to know what a tick looks like since they can carry diseases that can make you sick.



This is a tick!

- Eight legs
- Lack of body segments
- Flat body
- Patterned scutum (shield) on its back
- No antenna



**Clover mite
Not a tick!**

- Eight legs
- Bulbous, round or pill-shaped body
- Much smaller than a tick
- Usually found on walls, floors or furniture
- Does not feed on human blood or transmit bloodborne diseases



**Weevil beetle
Not a tick!**

- Six legs
- Three body segments
- Antenna
- Does not bite humans or animals
- Herbivorous (only eats plant matter)



**Deer ked
Not a tick!**

- Six legs
- Three body segments
- Move much faster than ticks
- Rarely bites humans, prefers to feed on deer
- No evidence that they can transmit diseases to humans

