

Spider Chart

Deadly and Dangerous

Not So Friendly

Low Risk

Redback



Very toxic.
Not aggressive.
Bite can cause intense pain, sweating, nausea and vomiting.
Found on tangled webs among rocks, logs, rubbish, houses, etc.

Funnel Web



Very toxic.
Aggressive in Summer/Autumn.
Bite can cause difficulty breathing, muscular twitching, salivation.
Anti venom required.
Ground dwellings, constructs burrow with funnelled web.

White Tail



Very toxic.
Not aggressive.
Bites can cause burning pain, localised swelling and itchiness, local ulceration.
Found in mulch, bark, garden areas, will come indoors

Mouse Spider



Toxic
Not aggressive
Bite can cause intense pain and requires treatment.
Often mistaken for Funnel Web.
Lives in burrows.

Common Black House



Toxic.
Not aggressive.
Painful bite, swelling nausea, etc.
Lives in urban habitats, often found around window frames, eaves and awnings

Garden Wolf



Not toxic.
Not aggressive.
Bite can cause minor local pain, itchiness and swelling.
Found in open burrows in garden environments and lawns.

Trap Door



Not toxic.
Not aggressive.
Bite may be painful and cause swelling.
Found in open burrows, lawns, trap door not always present.

Huntsman



Not toxic
Not aggressive.
Seldom bites.
Found under bark of trees and leaf litter, may wonder indoors.

St Andrew's Cross



Not toxic.
Not aggressive.
Rarely bites unless disturbed.
Found in sticky web in garden areas.

Garden Orb Weaving



Not toxic
Not aggressive.
Reluctant to bite.
Builds golden orb web between bushes and shrubs in garden areas.

Always be on alert for severe allergic reactions. Anaphylaxis is a life-threatening condition that requires emergency medical attention.

If bitten contact your local hospital or call 000 for an ambulance.

Symptoms for a spider bite may include:

1. Pain/stinging
2. Swelling
3. Itchiness
4. Nausea
5. Vomiting

Simple First Aid:

1. Keep the patient at rest, and under observation.
2. Check for breathing and pulse of patient.
3. Apply pressure with bandage on bite area.
4. If swelling is present apply an ice pack on bite area.

*Images not to scale