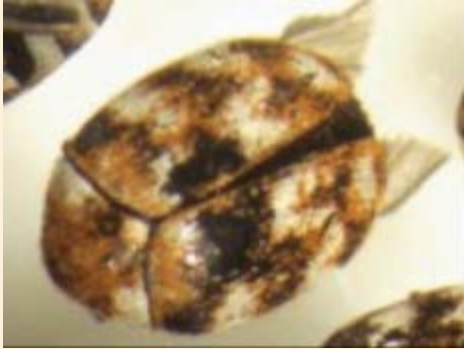


## VARIED CARPET BEETLES

*Anthrenus verbasci*



### PEST STATS

**Color:** Black centers, with white, brown and yellow patches in an irregular arrangement

**Legs:** 6

**Shape:** Round

**Size:** 1/16

**Antennae:** Yes

**Region:** Found throughout U.S.

Varied carpet beetles get their name from the rainbow of color on their back surfaces.

### Habits

These pests enjoy dining on carpets, woolen fabrics, dead insects, furs, hides, feathers, horns, hair, silk and bones. It can take 249-354 days to three years for varied carpet beetles to grow from an egg to an adult.

### Habitat

Varied carpet beetles are found in homes in attics, Oriental carpets, tapestries and wood-based wall-to-wall carpeting.

## Threats

Varied carpet beetles feed on dead insects, but also feed on upholstery and carpet, so they can damage those materials. They can also damage clothing fabric.