

PEST TRUMPS



THE FLEA

FACT FILE

The most common type of flea found in the UK is the cat flea ("Ctenocephalides felis"). This flea type is very common and whilst their primary host is cats, the flea will also bite humans and dogs. .

DID YOU KNOW

In the second World War the Japanese tried to use fleas to carry Y.pestis as a biological weapon by dropping them in China.



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Breeding / Life-cycle

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Fleas' lifecycle is a four-stage process from egg through to adult. This can take between two weeks and eight months depending on environmental factors.

Strength

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Fleas are tiny and don't possess great strength, they can cause serious problems in animals and humans as we'll find out later.

Nuisance Factor

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Fleas carry disease for example myxomatosis which is a serious disease in rabbits and can be spread by fleas. They also bite animals and humans and bites can cause allergic reactions.

Agility

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Fleas are the Olympic high jumpers of the pest world. A flea can jump at least 100 times their own body length and have been known to reach up to 200 times.

Environmental

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All organisms, including fleas, are part of the food chain. Whether they are consumed by animals, microorganisms or fungi, they help keep nutrients flowing through the system of life.

Superpower

Enhanced Leap!

To put their jumping skills into context, if humans were to jump as well as fleas they would be able to leap over the Shard in London so that's pretty amazing!!

PGM Pest Trumps Rating 4/10

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Overall PGM Review

The flea scores well on its ability to jump to great heights but these disease spreaders score low for their nuisance factor and danger to public health.

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