

# Varied carpet beetle (*Anthrenus verbasci*)

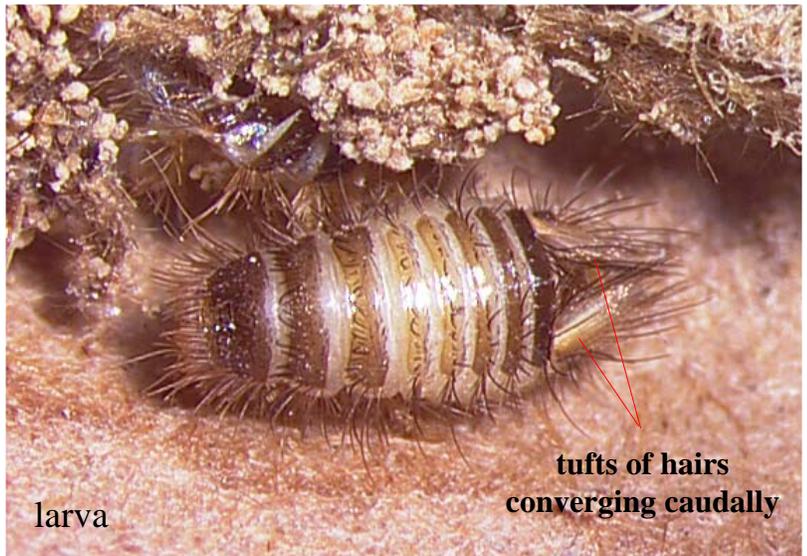
- ❑ Cosmopolitan; widespread in CA.
- ❑ Hosts: Drugs, spices, peanuts, cereals and derivatives (corn, wheat, flour), and insect collections (larvae feed on dried protein material).
- ❑ Field ID: Adult about 2-4 mm long, oval, reddish-brown covered with **yellow and white flat and elongate scales**; does fly. Larvae yellowish or reddish-brown, with **tufts of long hairs converging caudally on abdominal tip**.

●  
Life size



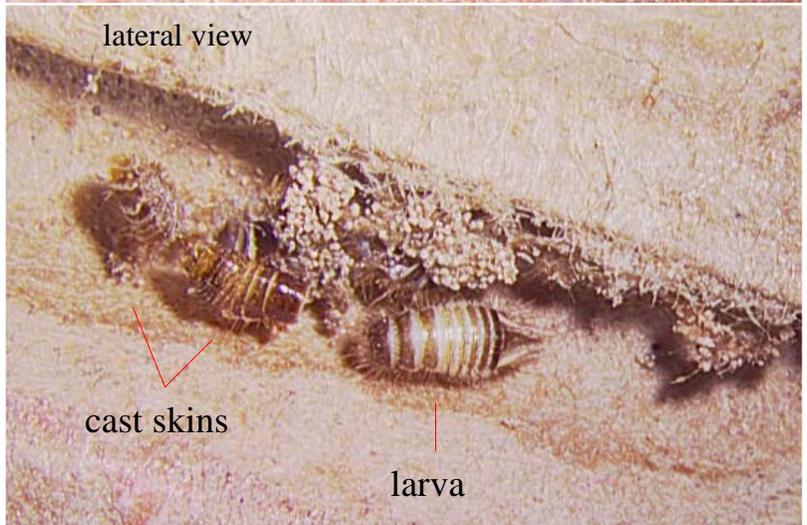
scales on elytra

adult  
dorsal view



larva

tufts of hairs  
converging caudally



lateral view

cast skins

larva