



I live here - have you seen me?

Dune Spurge Bug



I am one of the true bugs. There are only two spurge bugs in Britain, which look very similar but which are found in different habitats and locations.

The Wood Spurge Bug lives in inland woodlands, and feeds on Wood spurge, whereas I live on coastal dunes in Southwest England and Wales, where I feed on Portland Spurge and Sea Spurge. I'm considered a scarce species but if you look carefully, I can usually be found fairly easily at Upton Towans.



As an adult, I'm 12-14mm in length, and can be found all-year-round. I mate in late Spring, with my nymphs appearing soon after.

I am a long-ish brown bug, with bold markings, my antennae and convexium (the flattened border of my abdomen) are striped, and I have banded legs.