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## Yorkrakine Trapdoor Spider (*Kwonkan eboracum*)

**Description:** The Yorkrakine Trapdoor Spider grows up to 7 millimeters in size and is shiny yellow in colour with prominent dark brown bands on its abdomen. This spider belongs to the ancient sub-order of spiders called Mygalomorphae.

This spider prefers Eucalypt woodland with a shrub and grass understorey.

**Conservation Status:** **Critically Endangered**

**Conservation:** The majority of this spider's habitat has been destroyed through land clearing. This has left the remaining populations vulnerable to disturbance. Fires are also a threat to this species due to their poor dispersal ability.

Organizations such as the Department of Environment and Conservation, World Wildlife Fund (WWF) Australia and the Avon Catchment Council are working towards conserving this species through preserving their known habitat, conducting searches for new populations and educating the public regarding the ecological importance of this species



Photograph: Barbara Main

If you have seen a Yorkrakine Trapdoor Spider or would like more information, please contact the Department of Environment and Conservation. Merredin: 9041 2488 Northam 9622 8940

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