



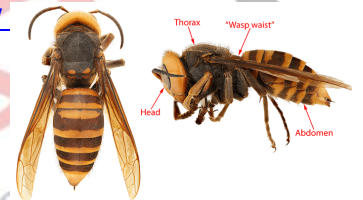
US Eradicated Northern Giant Hornet

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The **Northern giant hornet**, nicknamed the **murder hornet**, has been **successfully eradicated** in the **US**.

▪ Northern Giant Hornet:

- The Northern giant hornet (*Vespa Mandarinia*) is the **largest hornet (wasp)** in the world, measuring **up to 2 inches long**.
 - A wasp is a type of **insect** belonging to the order **Hymenoptera**, which also includes **bees and ants**.
- It has a **large, solid yellow or orange head** with black eyes. //



- It is **native to Asia** and was first spotted in **Washington state** near the Canadian border in **2019**.
- It poses a significant **threat to insects and native pollinators** which can kill an entire **beehive (bees habitat) of honeybees** in just 90 minutes.
 - It can even **kill people** as it delivers **seven times more venom** than a honey bee and can **sting multiple times**.
- They usually **build their nests in forested areas**, often in an **underground cavity**.

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