



Male head: face dark red as opposite to yellow color for female specimens

Lower mouth margin red (main difference with male specimens of *Ceratitis ditissima*)

Moderately large fruit fly (body length 6.0-7.5 mm). Polyphagous but host records are unreliable since the species can easily be confused with other *Ceratitis* species such as *C. ditissima*. Widespread in western and central Africa. Both sexes can be attracted by liquid protein bait products. Males can be trapped with methyl eugenol.

Further information see: <u>http://projects.bebif.be/fruitfly/taxoninfo.html?id=15</u> Limitation: the species sheets only show differentiation between major pest species but do not take into account similarities/differences between ALL fruit infesting tephritids in West Africa. **Copyright**: text G. Goergen, IITA; images: G. Goergen, IITA & *NHM, London. **Acknowledgements**: Thanks are due to M. De Meyer, MRAC for help in the conceptualization of the sheets.