

Label the Beetle Anatomy Diagram

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Read the definitions, then label the beetle anatomy diagram below.

abdomen - the segmented tail area of a beetle that contains the heart, reproductive organs, and most of the digestive system

antenna - like all insects, beetles have 2 segmented antennae

compound eye - a faceted eye made up of many hexagonal lenses

elytron - (plural elytra) elytra are hardened fore wings that protect the longer hind wings

head - the head is at the front end of the beetle's body and is the location of the brain, the two compound eyes, the mouth parts, the pharynx (the start of the digestive system), and the points of attachment of its two antennae.

hind wing - beetles have two hind wings, used for flying (or swimming). These long wings can be folded under the elytra when not in use.

legs - like all insects, beetles have 6 jointed legs

mandibles - the jaws

maxillary palps - long, segmented mouth parts that grasp the food

thorax - the middle area of the beetle's body - where the legs and wings are attached

