

PINE TIGER MOTH—*Lophocampa ingens*

HOST: Ponderosa pine

IDENTIFICATION, LIFE CYCLE, AND DAMAGE: Larvae are robust, hairy, and tannish-white with a dorsal hair tuft near the head and a series of black dorsal hair tufts down the back. Adult moths have dark brown forewings with large white ovals, white hindwings, and a hairy buff-colored body.

Larvae construct large white webbed “nests” and feed gregariously on needles contained within the nests. Most nests are found on terminal branches, usually in tree tops.



Pine tiger moth larva

CONTROL: Spray foliage and webs with carbaryl, chlorpyrifos, or fluvalinate when webs are first noticed.



Pine tiger moth nest