

Bag shelter moth

Ochrogaster lunifer



Adaptation to environment

- Larvae covered with long dense hairs which have a powerful irritant to keep predators away
- Live in large group in silken bag attached to base of tree trunk during day & come out to feed at night.



Feeding relationships

Where do I live? Woodland

What do I eat?

- Larvae eat leaves of wattle trees.

What eats me?

- Larvae are well protected but attacked by parasitic flies & predatory bugs
- Adults are eaten by birds & lizards.

- Wingspan: 45 - 65 mm • When larvae leave tree to pupate or move to another tree they form a long chain – head to tail – & are known as processionary caterpillars.