



## **Rhinoceros beetle**

Rhinoceros beetles belong to the insect order Coleoptera, and are a member of the scarab beetle family (like in ancient Egypt!) They go through complete metamorphosis, which means they have four stages: egg, larva (worm-like creature called a grub), pupa (resting stage, similar to a caterpillar cocoon), and adult. The males, like the one above, have huge horns to help with defense. They are one of the largest and strongest insects!

As fierce as they look, however, they can't harm humans, and they actually are vegetarians, eating rotting wood, fruit, or nectar.