

# I. Bubas bison

## Identification

(Length: 13–19 mm)

The beetle is shiny black. Large males have a long horn on each side of the head and a pronounced horn on the pronotum (Fig. 1a). Smaller males have a horn on each side of the head, but not on the pronotum. Females have a distinct ridge on the head between the eyes, and a ridge on the pronotum (Fig. 1b).

## Similar species

*Bubas bubalus* could be confused with *Bubas bison* as both species may be active at the end of winter. *B. bubalus* can be distinguished by the head and pronotal armature in the males (Fig. 24b) and the interrupted pronotal ridge in the females (Fig. 24c).



Figure 1a Large male *B. bison*, side view



Figure 1b Female of *B. bison*, side view