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Stick-insect, or phasmatid (Didymuria violescens). This is one of a large number of herbivorous insects that may cause considerable damage to Eucalyptus trees in southeast Australia, sometimes producing widespread defoliation. Many of these herbivore species have generalized diets, but may function as specialists in local communities. See page 887. [P. A. Morrow, Department of Ecology and Behavioral Biology, University of Minnesota]