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Weedle – Plump Bug Pokémon - Bug

Pupal – Plump Bug Pokémon - Bug

Carapthor – Bulking Pokémon - Bug / Fighting



Like a wrestler or athlete bulking calories to build muscle, a Weedle and Pupal will consume excessive amounts of foliage to gain the nutrients needed to evolve into a Carapthor.

Weedle are plump, grub-like Pokémon found munching leaves on a tree or gnawing at the wood of a rotting one. Once a Weedle has stored enough energy, it evolves into a Pupal. Still bulbous in shape, its exterior hardens considerably. Antennae begin to form on its face, and two fist-like legs wriggle free from its body.

Through evolution, a Pupal converts its remaining fat into dense muscle. The result, Carapthor, is a bulky, beetle-like Pokémon covered in muscle — drastically different from either of its earlier stages.

Carapthor's first stage closely resembles the Weedle found in the Kanto and Johto regions. From there, though, this line diverges sharply from the evolution we're familiar with: rather than becoming a bee, this Weedle becomes a beetle. The relationship between the two lines remains unclear, and researchers are split on whether Carapthor represents a regional form or an entirely distinct species.

A Carapthor carries a hard shell across its back, used primarily for defense. In individuals with extensive battle experience, this shell roughens and takes on a stony texture from repeated impacts — one member of our research team mistook a resting Carapthor for a small boulder. Though wings are present beneath the shell, Carapthor rarely flies; its sheer muscle mass keeps it grounded.

An adult Carapthor lays its eggs inside a healthy tree, ensuring that hatchlings have an immediate food source and can begin the determined eating that will carry them through their own transformation. Carapthor is fiercely protective of the environment it was raised in — usually forest or reserve land — and in return for what sustained its growth, it looks after the surrounding trees, defending them from threats as mundane as pests or as unexpected as a Dark-type Pokémon slipping in under cover of night.

