

# Pubic Lice

Very similar to head lice, pubic lice are an infestational parasite, which lives in the pubic hair. Like head lice they lay eggs which stick to the hairs and are visible as small white/light grey objects.

They are caught by close physical contact with someone who is already infested, and it can take anything up to three weeks for the symptoms to appear.

They cause intense itching, and other symptoms can include small red spots in the pubic area.

Fortunately these pests are as easily treated as they are caught, and like head lice, lotions and shampoos will quickly eradicate them. Your pharmacist or practise nurse will be able to recommend a good product.

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