



Insects in the  
Vineyard

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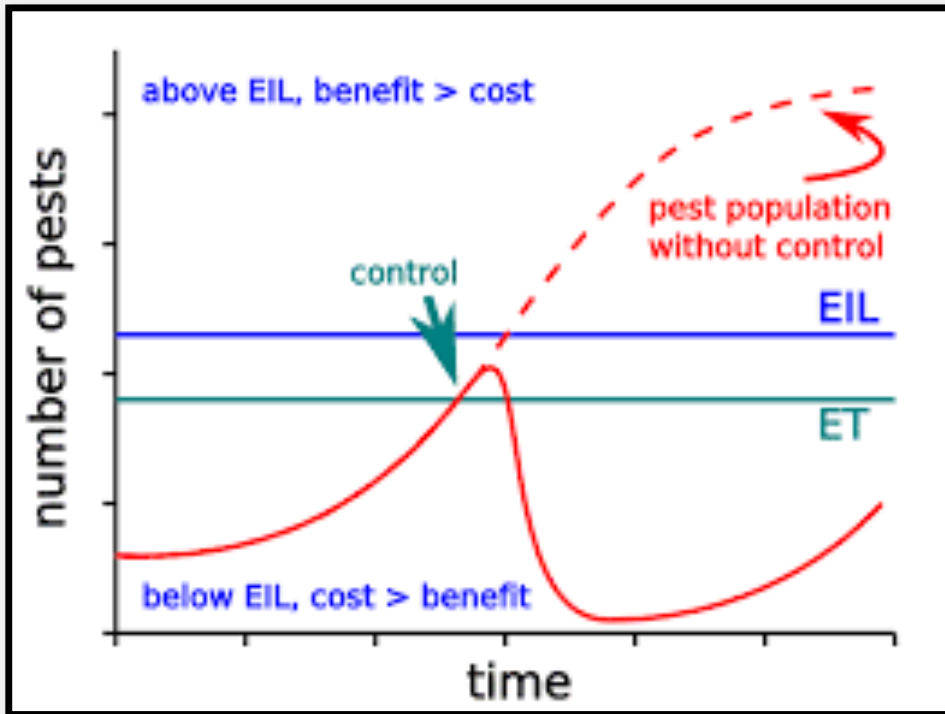
Only 2-5% of  
insects are  
pest species

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What is a pest?

Is this deer a pest ?

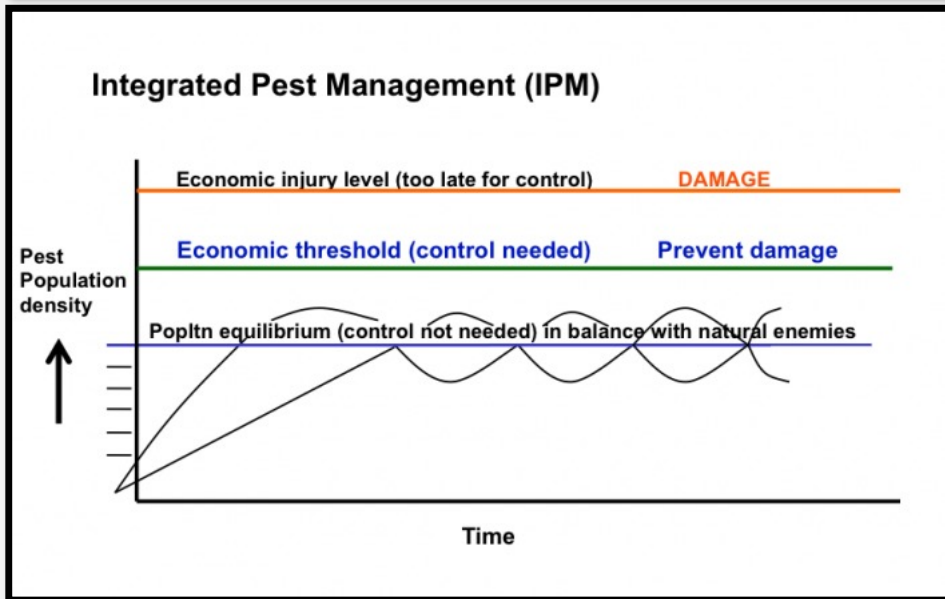


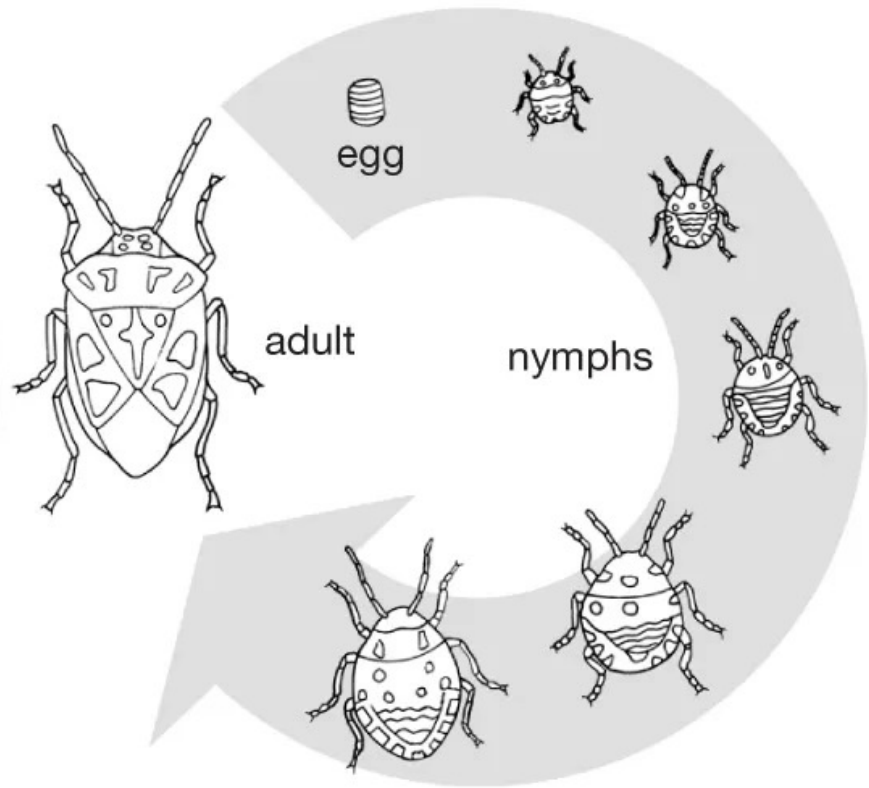
# ECONOMIC INJURY LEVEL

**Economic injury level – (EIL)** – when the cost of losses equals the cost of control measures

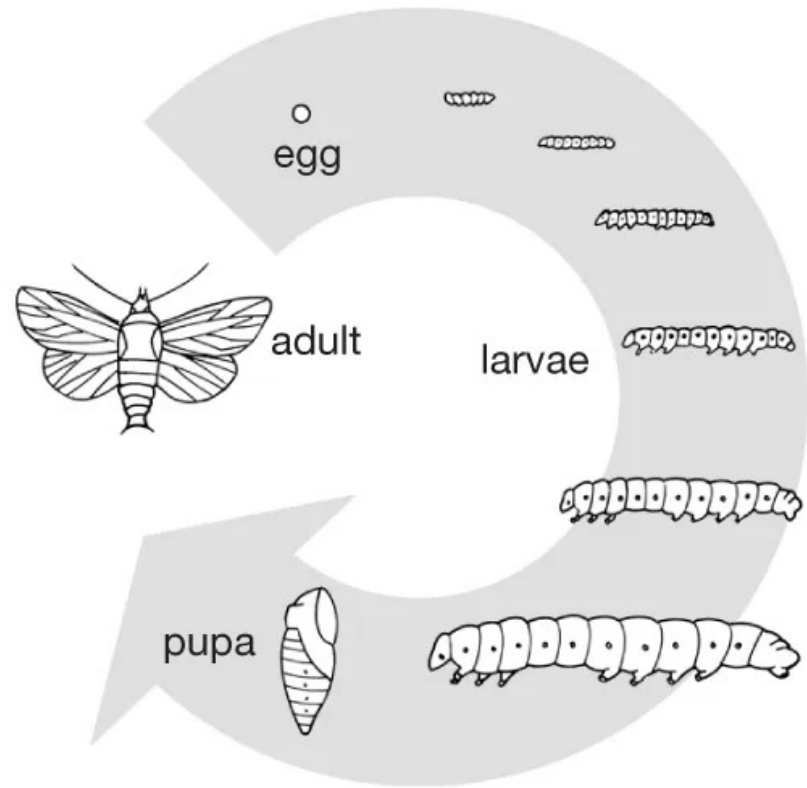
**Economic threshold – (ET)** – pest density that should trigger management actions to prevent unacceptable damage

**Some insects are never economic pests**  
the equilibrium position remains below the economic threshold (ET) and economic injury level (EIL)





Incomplete metamorphosis



Complete metamorphosis



Pest Insects & Mites of Grapevines





Chewing mouthparts  
(Cause damage)

Usually lack noticeable features for ID

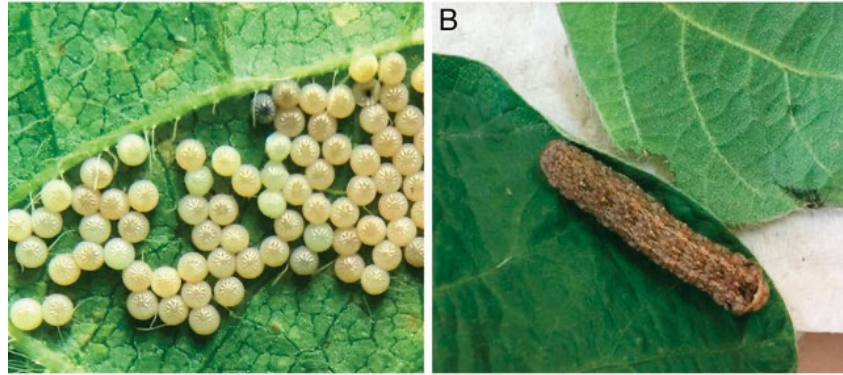


Siphoning mouthparts  
(Cannot cause damage)

Lays eggs on or near grapevines

Traps can be deployed to catch adults for ID

Most adults are active at night



# Variegated cutworm





# Orange Tortrix

# Light Brown Apple Moth (LBAM)

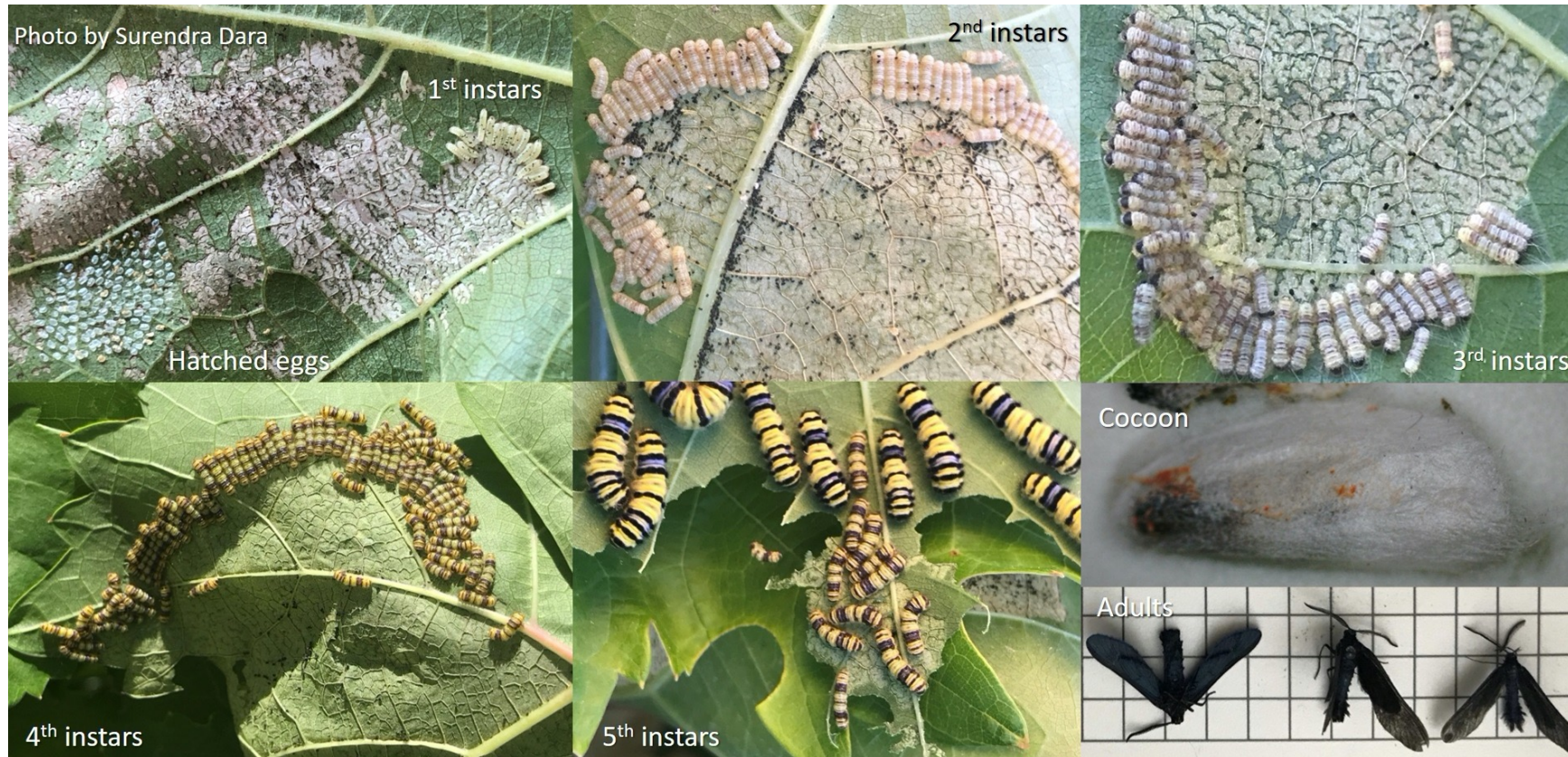
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# Omnivorous Leafroller

# Western Grapeleaf Skeletonizer



# EUROPEAN GRAPEVINE MOTH

- Invasive species
- Detected in Napa in 2009
- Over 2,335 miles<sup>2</sup> were placed under quarantine in Napa, Sonoma, and Solano counties
- Mandatory traps and treatment were required in quarantine areas
- The goal was eradication instead of control

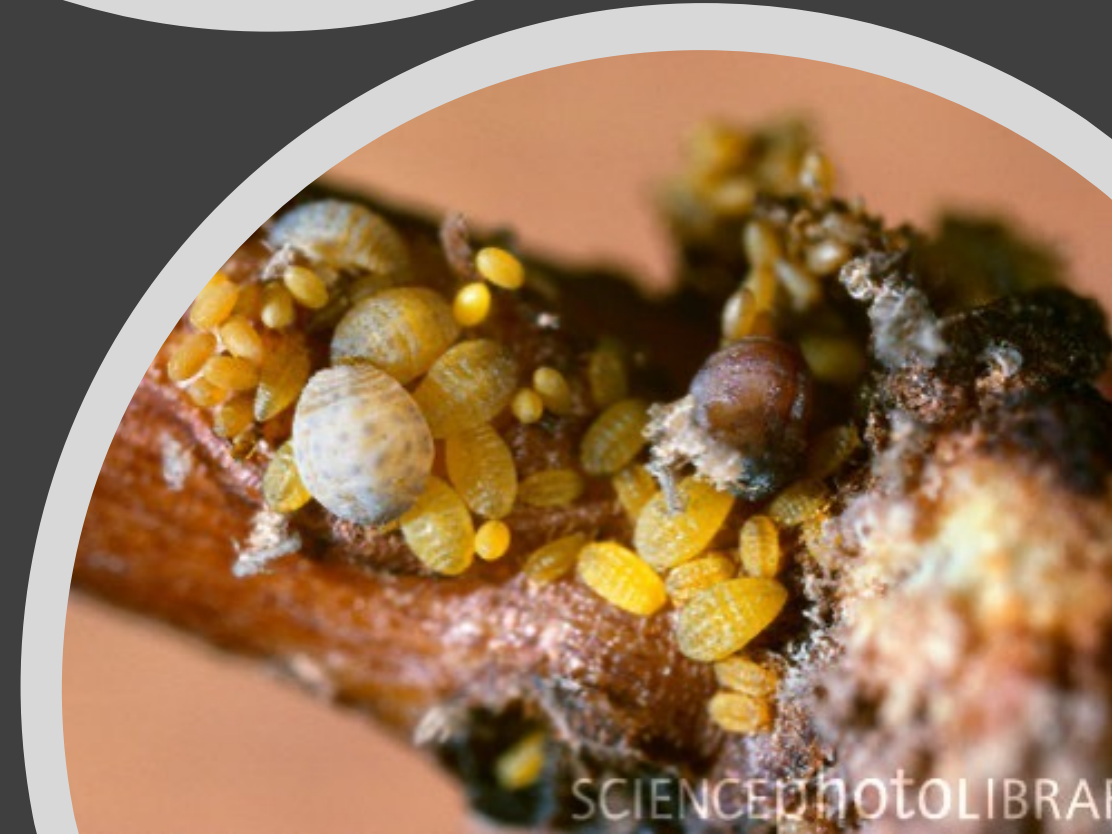




European grapevine moth

# GRAPE PHYLLOXERA

- Aphid-like insect
- Native to the east coast of the US
- Feed on roots and leaves of grapevines
- Complicated life cycle with up to 18 stages
- Four forms: root, leaf, sexual, and winged











**Virginia Creeper  
Leafhopper**



**Western Grape  
Leafhopper**



**Variegated  
Leafhopper**







POLL  
QUESTION

**Signs of leafhopper feeding include:**

- A) Stippling: White spots on the leaves where the chlorophyll has been removed by insect feeding
- B) Parts of the leaves are missing
- C) Black spots of frass
- D) Both A & C
- E) Both A & B



Grape thrips

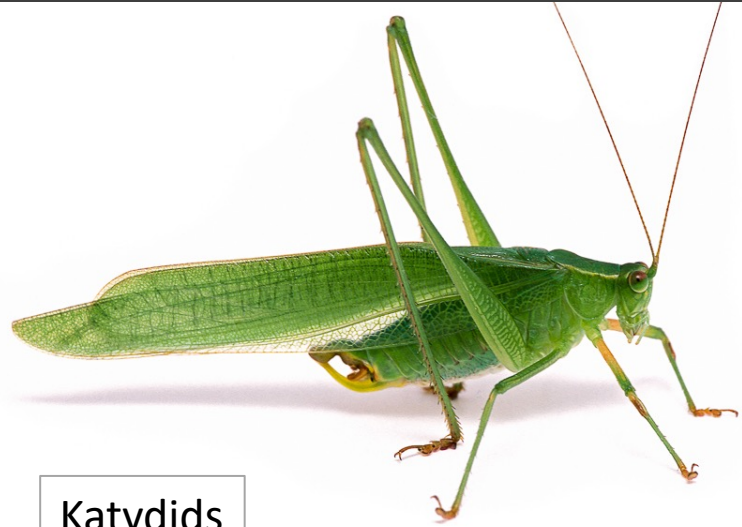


Western flower thrips









Katydid



Earwig



Grasshopper



Branch and twig borer



Click beetle



Western grape rootworm



Grape bud beetle



Flea beetle

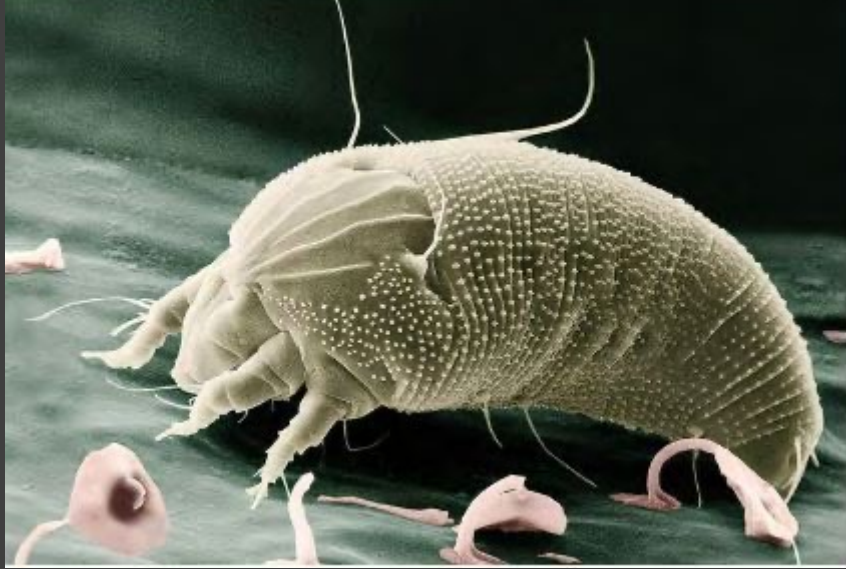


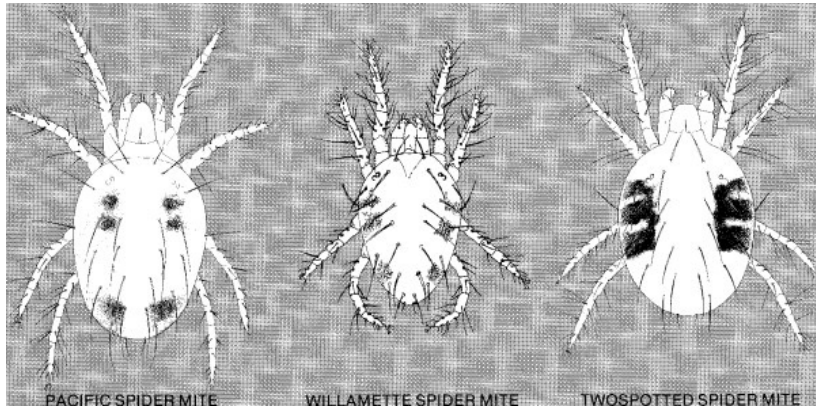
Black vine weevil

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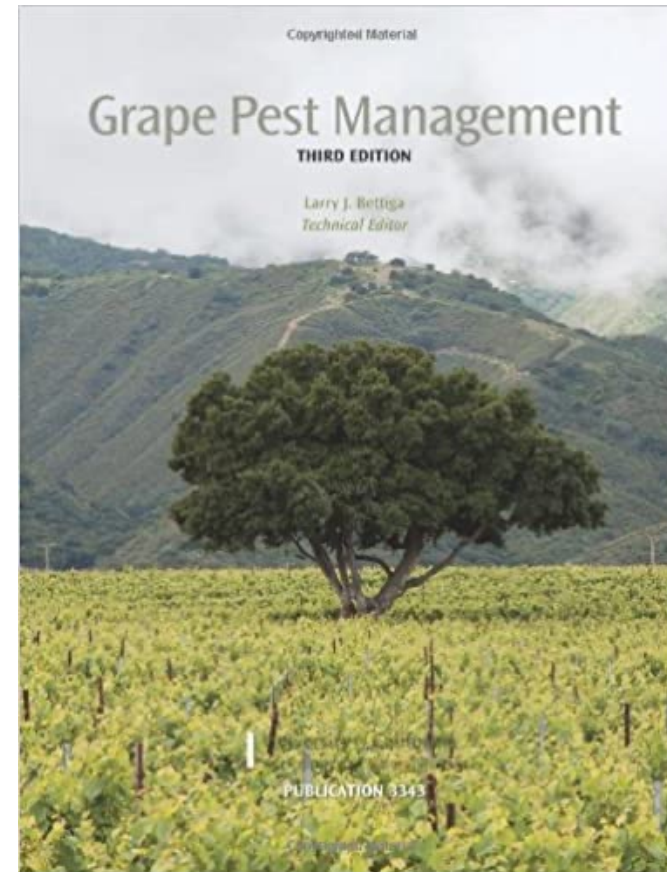
Black widow spider







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The image is a composite of four photographs of grape leaves, arranged in a 2x2 grid. Each leaf shows signs of damage: holes, discoloration, and necrotic spots. A white diamond shape is overlaid in the center, containing the text. The background is a mix of green, yellow, and red, suggesting autumn or disease progression.

Insects and  
Nematodes that  
Vector Pathogens



**Gill's mealybug**



**Grape mealybug**



**Longtailed mealybug**



**Obscure mealybug**



**Vine mealybug**

Mealybugs vector Grapevine  
Leafroll-associated viruses





MEALYBUGS

Ants tend and  
protect  
mealybugs in  
the vineyard



Disrupting  
naturally  
occurring  
biocontrol





European lecanium scale



Cottony maple scale



Three-cornered alfalfa hopper  
Grapevine red blotch virus  
(GRBV)

- Vector of *Grapevine red blotch virus*
- Native to the US
- Girdles grapevine petioles and shoots

- Legumes are preferred hosts
- Overwintering generation of adults arrive in the vineyard in February, lay eggs and die off
- Immature stages develop on ground cover
- Mid-May first generation adults emerge
- Girdling of grapevines started in June
- One to two generations per year





# Glassy winged sharpshooter (GWSS)

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- Native to Southeastern US
- Vectors *Xylella fastidiosa*, a bacterium that is the causal agent for Pierce's disease
- Citrus is also a host and oftentimes GWSS gets moved around from nurseries on citrus plants
- Large efforts are in play in California to prevent the movement of GWSS into vineyards in northern California

# SHARPSHOOTERS/SPITTLEBUG

**Blue-green sharpshooter**  
*Graphocephala atropunctata*



**Willow sharpshooter**  
*Graphocephala confluence*



**Green sharpshooter**  
*Draeculacephala minerva*



**Red-headed sharpshooter**  
*Xyphon fulgida*



**Meadow spittlebug**  
*Philaenus spumarius*



**Blue-green sharpshooter nymph**



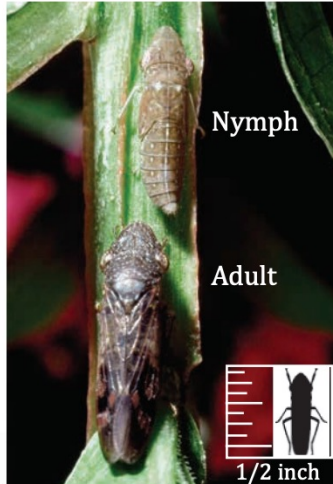
**Look-a-like**  
*Thamnotatettix zelleri*

This insect can be confused with BGSS, however it is NOT a VECTOR



Gary McDonald

**Glassy-winged sharpshooter**  
*Homalodisca vitripennis*



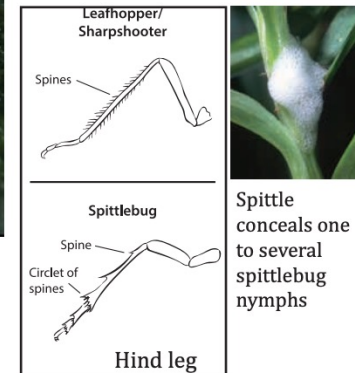
**Smoketree sharpshooter**  
*Homalodisca liturata*



Smoketree sharpshooter head and back are covered with wavy, light colored lines while glassy-winged sharpshooter is stippled with yellow spots



Color variation in meadow spittlebug



Spittle conceals one to several spittlebug nymphs



Grapevine Fanleaf Degeneration



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- Ag Pest Management: Potato, Rice, Onion and Garlic and Strawberry revised
- Quick Tips: 12 Spanish Quick Tips have been revised and updated with a brand-new design
- More...

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Pest Management Guidelines

# Agricultural Pests

Information about managing pests, including University of California's official guidelines for monitoring pests and using pesticides and nonpesticide alternatives for managing insect, mite, nematode, weed, and disease pests.

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- [Pheromone Traps \(7/15\)](#)

**Diseases**

- [Armillaria Root Rot \(Oak Root Fungus\) \(12/14\)](#)
- [Botryosphaeria Dieback \(12/14\)](#)
- [Botrytis Bunch Rot \(12/16\)](#)

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- Fungicide Efficacy for Grape Diseases (6/17)**
- Treatment Timing for Key Diseases (6/17)**
- Fungicide Resistance Management (6/17)**
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- [2017 Efficacy and Timing of Fungicides, Bactericides, and Biologicals for Deciduous Tree Fruit, Nut, Strawberry, and Vine Crops \(PDF\)](#)
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Predators



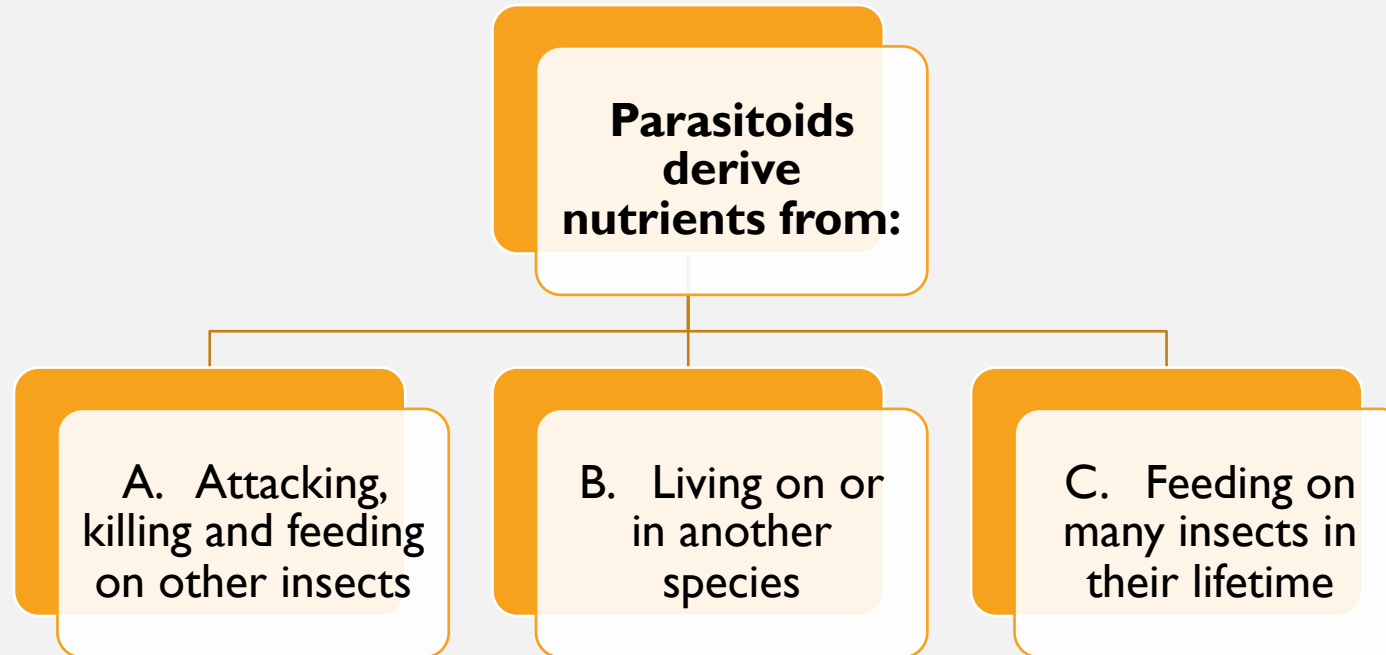


Parasitoids





# POLL QUESTION





Assassin bug  
(11-14 mm)



Predatory stink bug  
(13-22 mm)

## Hemiptera



Minute pirate bug  
(3-5 mm)



Damsel bug  
(4-9 mm)



Bigeyed bug  
(3-6 mm)

# Beetles



Soft-winged flower beetle  
(4-5 mm)



Soldier beetle  
(5-15 mm)



Rove beetles  
(2-8 mm)



Checkered beetles  
(5-12 mm)



Ground beetles  
(2-35 mm)



Ladybird beetles  
(1-10 mm)

# Flies



Syrphid fly



Predaceous midge



Aphid flies





Robber flies

# Wasps



Spider wasp



Sphecid wasp



Velvet ant



Vespid wasp

# Snakeflies and Lacewings



Snakeflies



Green lacewings



Brown lacewings



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Egg case



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Black hunter thrips



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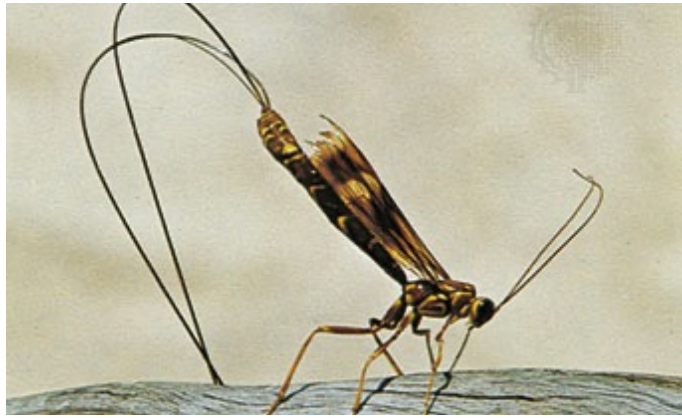


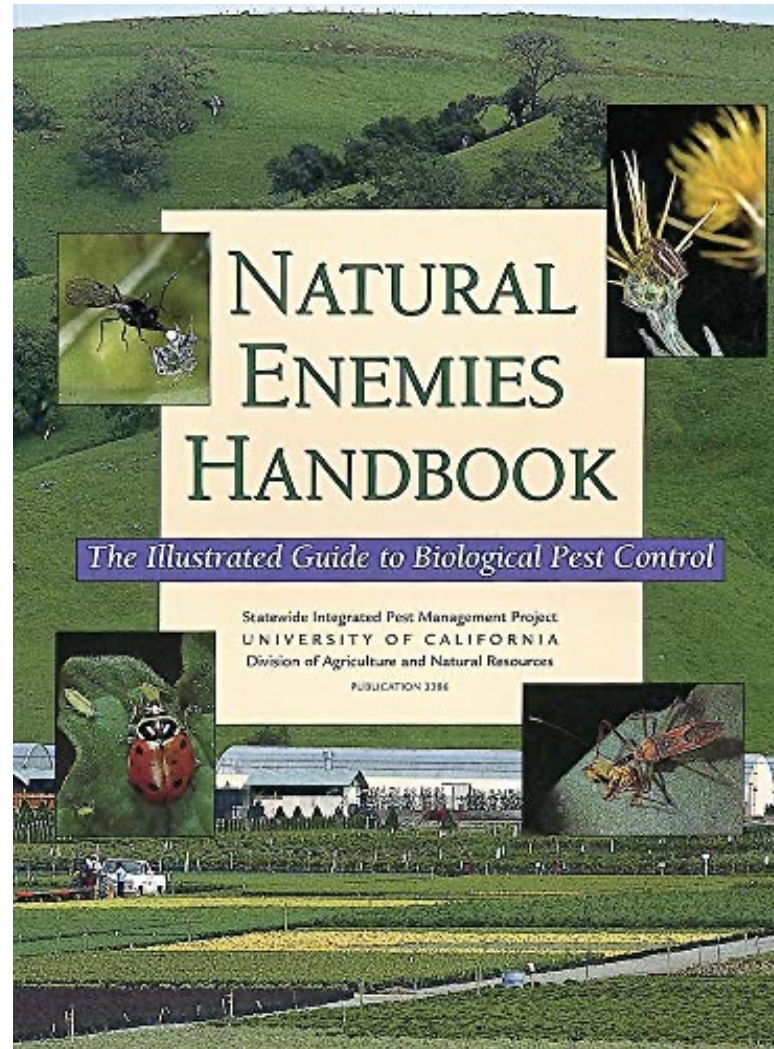
Predatory Mites





Signs of parasitism





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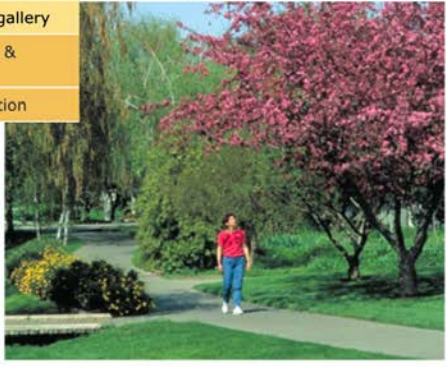
- Pest Notes: [Wood Mistletoes](#) revised, [Turkeys and Pokes](#) added
- Ag Pest Management: [Cole Crops and Floriculture and Ornamental Nurseries](#) revised
- Agriculture: [2022 Fungicides, Bactericides, Biocontrols, and Natural Products for Deciduous Tree Fruit and Nut, Citrus, Strawberry, and Vine Crops in California](#) (PDF)
- Three new videos about the invasive shothole borers' [biology](#), [trapping](#), and [management](#) were published
- Green Bulletin: [Winter 2022](#)
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## Spotted lanternfly (*Lycorma delicatula*)

- Planthopper (~1" x 0.5") native to northern China
- First found in the United States (Pennsylvania) in 2014
- Has since been documented in New York and Delaware (2017) and New Jersey, Maryland and Virginia (2018)
- Found in both agricultural and urban areas



## Spotted lanternfly (*Lycorma delicatula*)

- Host range of 70+ plant species with at least 40 occurring in North America
- Hosts include grapevines, stone fruits, apple, cherry, hops and woody ornamentals
- Preferred host is tree of heaven (*Ailanthus altissima*)





## **Spotted lanternfly** (*Lycorma delicatula*)

- One generation per year documented in Pennsylvania
- Nymphs emerge between April and June and progress through 4 immature stages
- Adults emerge in late July
- Spotted lanternfly overwinter as eggs laid between August and November
- Produces large amounts of honeydew



## Spotted Lanternfly eggs

- Each female lays one to two egg masses of 30 to 50 eggs each
- Eggs are laid in multiple successive rows and covered with a yellowish-brown waxy deposit
- Eggs are laid on smooth tree surfaces and inanimate objects such as telephone poles, stones, pallets, outdoor furniture, railway cars, firewood, vehicles, etc...
- Laying eggs on non-plant items contributes to SLFs wide dispersal ability and likelihood of unintentional introduction into new areas

## Spotted Lanternfly nymphs



1<sup>st</sup> through 3<sup>rd</sup> instars



4<sup>th</sup> instar

# Spotted Lanternfly nymphs and adults



4<sup>th</sup> instars and adults



Adult with wings spread



## ***Report any sightings***

If you find what you believe to be any of these insects, collect it in a sealed container and document the location and date when found before taking it to your local county agricultural commissioner or UC Cooperative Extension office.




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## Spotted Lanternfly

### Spotted Lanternfly (*Lycorma delicatula*)

New invasive species in the United States to be on the lookout for. Early detection is key to keeping the Spotted Lanternfly out of California. See the attached [newsletter](#) (pdf) [en español](#) for photos of the different life stages, species details and identification.

Invasive species have the potential to cause high levels of economic damage when introduced into new environments that lack the predators that normally suppress their population in their native environments. International and national travel and commerce are ideal avenues for the introduction of exotic pests into the United States and California. Therefore, the identification and early detection of exotic pests are key to preventing their establishment in California. Everyone, including growers, PCA's, field workers, and home gardeners, can play an important role in keeping exotic pests out of your county by being the eyes and ears needed for early detection of the next exotic pest.

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