

Garden Bugs & Insects of the NORTHEAST



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IDENTIFY POLLINATORS, PESTS, AND OTHER GARDEN VISITORS

BUTTERFLIES & MOTHS

Order Lepidoptera

American Snout 🐝 V

(*Libytheana carinenta*)

wingspan to 1.9 inches; wings brown above with orange patches; variable brown below; forewing squarred off; elongated labial palps create a squared off, snout-like appearance



Summer Azure 🐝 V

(*Celastrina neglecta*)

wingspan up to 1.1 inches; wings above light blue in males; white-blue with broad dark margins on forewing in females; wings below light gray with small dark spots



Spring Azure 🐝 V

(*Celastrina ladon*)

wingspan up to 1 inch; wings above light blue in males; white-blue to violet-blue with broad dark margins on forewing in females; wings below light gray with pronounced dark spots and bands



Monarch 🐝 V

(*Danaus plexippus*)

wingspan up to 5 inches; wings orange with black veins and borders; avid flower visitor; migratory; larvae feed on milkweeds



Monarch Larva V

(*Danaus plexippus*)

up to 2 inches long; banded with yellow, white, and black; has two black filaments on each end; feeds on milkweeds; populations declining



Red-spotted Purple 🐝 V

(*Limenitis arthemis astyanax*)

wingspan up to 4 inches; wings above black with blue iridescence; hindwing below black with blue iridescence and bold orange spots; adults seldom visit flowers; larvae feed on black cherry, deerberry, and willows



BEETLES

Order Coleoptera

Colorado Potato Beetle **P**

(*Leptinotarsa decemlineata*)

up to 0.4 inch long; oval, cream-to-tan body with black stripes and a slightly orange thorax (pronotum) marked with black; bulbous larvae are reddish marked with black spots; pest of various nightshade family plants, including potato, eggplant, and tomato



Spotted Cucumber Beetle **P** **D**

(*Diabrotica undecimpunctata*)

up to 0.35 inch long; black head; yellow wing coverings with black spots; adults and larvae feed on squash, cucumbers, pumpkins, and melons



Spotted Asparagus Beetle **P**

(*Crioceris duodecimpunctata*)

up to 0.25 inch long; reddish-orange wing coverings with 12 black spots; adults and larvae feed on asparagus



Common Asparagus Beetle **P**

(*Crioceris asparagi*)

up to 0.3 inch long; head black, thorax orange; wing coverings dark bluish-green with cream spots and orange along the margin; adults and larvae feed on asparagus



Black Vine Beetle **P**

(*Otiorhynchus sulcatus*)

up to 0.5 inch long; dark gray with a short pronounced snout; larvae feed on the roots of many plants



Eastern Elderberry Borer **P**

(*Desmocerus palliatus*)

up to 1 inch long; elongated, dark blue body; wing coverings orange at base and dark blue toward the rear; long antennae; adults feed on pollen; larvae are pests of elderberry



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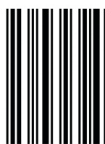
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