



EXTENSION PROGRAM

Insects

Help in identification and management

LEARN ABOUT BOTH HARMFUL AND HELPFUL INSECTS AND SPIDERS

The world is home to more than one million identified species of insects, representing more than half of all known life on the planet—and it's estimated there are millions more. Some species cause damage to crops and other plants, infest our homes, or transmit disease; others are valued as pollinators, and for pest control and beauty.

WHAT WE OFFER

University of Minnesota Extension offers a wide variety of information on insects and can help you identify insects and insect damage to vegetables, fruit, flowers, trees and shrubs, and lawns. We also have extensive information on common household insects. Our connection to the University of Minnesota Department of Entomology means we have access to and are part of the latest research on insects and their impact on Minnesota. Sample offerings:

- Online, we offer photos, descriptions of habitat and habits, types of typical damage done by specific insects, how to prevent and eradicate using natural or chemical methods, and the popular What Insect is This? diagnostic module.
- Each issue of *Yard and Garden News* has useful information on insects, such as reducing earwigs in your garden or fruit flies in your home. Master Gardeners and local Extension educators are valuable resources for your insect questions.
- Resource hubs for two insects having an impact on Minnesotans' quality of life: bed bugs and emerald ash borer.



DISCOVER MORE

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