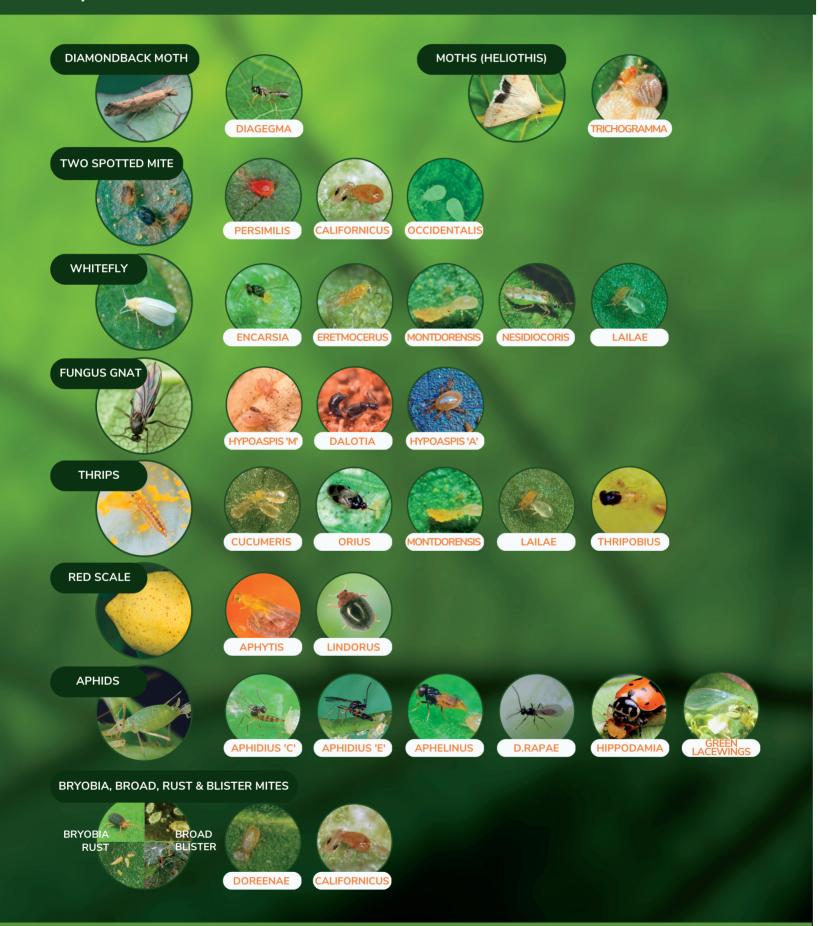


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## **Key Pests**

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- Aphelinus abdominalis can attack over 200 aphid species but prefers larger species such as Foxglove Aphid (Aulacorthum solani) and Potato Aphid (Macrosiphum euphorbiae). It has a long lifespan, able to withstand high temperatures, and kills many hosts by direct feeding. Use in conjunction with Aphidius.
- Aphid Parasite Mixture a mix of the 4 parasites is supplied where several aphid species may be present, or if aphid species is not confirmed.
- Aphidius colemani will parasitise many of the smaller aphid species including the major pests of greenhouses Green Peach Aphid (Myzus persicae) and Cotton/Melon Aphid (Aphis gossypii).
- Aphidius ervi attacks a range of larger aphid species including (A.solani), (M.euphorbiae) and Acrythosiphum species.
- Aphytis melinus main parasite of Red Scale for Citrus crops in mediterranean climates.
- Californicus tolerates hot/dry conditions. Feeds on a range of mite species including Broad Mite, Cyclamen Mite and Two Spotted Mite. Will persist in the crop in the absence of Two Spotted Mite by feeding on other mite species, pollen, and small insects. More tolerant of pesticide residues. Use where conditions do not favour Persimilis e.g. too hot/dry, boundaries, hotspots, tree crops. Is available in sachets.
- Cucumeris preys on eggs and first instar Thrips on foliage and in flowers, main Western Flower Thrips predator for Strawberries. Establishes quickly on pollen-producing crops. Aids in control of Broad Mite. Effective on Onion Thrips for Onion storage. Is available in sachets.
- Diaeretiella rapae able to parasitise the major aphids of Brassica crops – Green Peach Aphid (M.persicae), Cabbage Aphid (Brevicoryne brassicae) and Turnip Aphid (Lipaphis pseudobrassicae).
- Dalotia soil dwelling beetle feeds on a wide range of small insects, mites, and fly eggs. Can tolerate wet conditions and aids in control of Shoreflies and Thrips. Use in conjunction with Hypoaspis 'M'.
- Diadegma parasite of Diamondback or Cabbage Moth larvae. Regular inoculation of Brassica crops reduces the need for chemical controls.
- Doreenae inhabits outdoor perennial crops such as Grapevines, Almonds, Pome and Stonefruits. Feeds on a wide range of pest mites including Rust, Blister, Broad and Bryobia Mites. Is available in sachets.
- Encarsia used worldwide for Greenhouse Whitefly on vegetables and ornamentals. Works best in temperatures above 20°C.

- **Eretmocerus** E.hayati for Silverleaf Whitefly. E.warrae for Greenhouse Whitefly. Both species can withstand high temperatures and kill many hosts by direct feeding. Use in conjunction with Encarsia.
- Green Lacewings (Mallada signatus) predators of aphids and other soft bodied pests such as mealybugs/scales, moth eggs and small caterpillars.
- Hippodamia generalist ladybird predator. Most commonly associated with aphids, but also known to feed on whitefly nymphs, moth eggs, psyllid nymphs, and some mite/Thrips pests when preferred prey is unavailable.
- **Hypoaspis 'A'** soil dwelling predator with an appetite for Thrips pupae in the soil. Also controls Bulb Mite in Lillium/Bulb crops, and Chicken Mite (Dermanyssus sp).
- Hypoaspis 'M' soil dwelling predatory mite preys on larvae of Fungus Gnats and other small organisms in the top of the root zone. Also controls Snake Mite in reptile enclosures.
- Lailae feeds on eggs, crawlers and young nymphs of both Silverleaf and Greenhouse Whiteflies. Attacks Thrips by preying on first and second instar Thrips. Well suited to Greenhouse crops and outdoors where humidity present.
- Lindorus feeds on a range of armoured scales such as Red Scale, Oleander Scale, Purple Scale, as well as some soft scales and mealybugs. Mostly used in nurseries, interior plantscapes and greenhouses.
- Montdorensis mostly used in greenhouse crops for Greenhouse and Silverleaf Whiteflies. Also a major predator of Thrips. Is available in sachets.
- Nesidiocoris voracious general predator particularly of whiteflies, moth eggs and small grubs. It will also attack Thrips, Mites and Aphids. It is mostly used in Tomato and Eggplant crops.
- Occidentalis Spider Mite predator, tolerant of very hot/dry conditions. Resistant to organophosphate and carbamate insecticides. Mostly used in tree crops such as Pome fruit.
- Orius predatory bug that can feed on all active stages of Thrips especially in flowers. Used mostly in Capsicum, Chilli, Strawberry and flower crops where a pollen source is available.
- Persimilis voracious Two Spotted Mite predator. Thrives in warm, humid conditions. Is the main control agent for Spider Mite in Greenhouse crops, Strawberries and Raspberries.
- Thripobius tiny wasp specific to Greenhouse Thrips (Heliothrips haemorroidalis).
- **Trichogramma** moth egg parasites used to aid in control of Heliothis and many other caterpillar species.