

Lady Beetles of Hawai'i



Lady beetles are mainly beneficial insects (natural enemies) that prey upon a wide range of pests such as aphids, scale insects, mealybugs and whiteflies in crop fields, orchards, gardens, urban landscapes and greenhouses. All lady beetles in Hawai'i are predators of insects and mites, except one species, *Psylllobora vigintimaculata*, which feeds on fungi. None of the lady beetles is known to be native to Hawai'i. As you can see on this poster, the lady beetles of Hawai'i are diverse, with a variety of color patterns, shapes and sizes.



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