



# Sternocera Beetle



**Scientific name:** *Sternocera chrysis*

**Lives:** India, Iran, Sri Lanka, Pakistan, Nepal, Burma, Thailand, Laos, Vietnam and China.

**Size:** 40-50mm

**Food:** leaves, nectar, pollen and sapwood

**Habitat:** forest

**Fun fact:** their glossy shell reflects all wavelengths of light at once, creating a mirror like effect.



# Sugar Ant



**Scientific name:** *Camponotus consobrinus*

**Lives:** Australia- mainly South East

**Size:** 2.5-18mm

**Food:** sugars, honey, syrups, jam, cake, sweets, fruit, nectar and soft drinks

**Habitat:** urban areas, forests and woodlands and heath

**Fun fact:** they can squirt a smelly substance called formic acid as a form of protection from predators.



# Spotted Lantern Fly



**Scientific name:** *Lycorma delicatula*

**Lives:** China, India, Vietnam, Japan, Taiwan and USA

**Size:** 25mm

**Food:** fruit, ornamental and woody trees

**Habitat:** trees

**Fun fact:** they aren't great at flying, even though they have two sets of wings. While some can fly better than others, you're more likely to see it hop around than fly.



# Rhinoceros Beetle



**Scientific name:** *Dynastinae*

**Lives:** every continent except Antarctica

**Size:** 20-150mm depending on location

**Food:** rotten wood (larvae), tree sap (adults)

**Habitat:** woodland, parkland and hedgerows

**Fun fact:** the rhinoceros beetle is a member of the same family as the stag beetle and the scarab beetle.



# Praying Mantis



**Scientific name:** *Mantodea*

**Lives:** warmer regions such as the tropics and subtropics

**Size:** 50 to 120mm

**Food:** mainly beetles, crickets and grasshoppers but some eat hummingbirds, European robins, frogs and lizards.

**Habitat:** tropical rainforest

**Fun fact:** they ambush their prey with lightning speed and have spikes on their legs to skewer and pin their victims into place.



# Desert Locust



**Scientific name:** *Schistocerca gregaria*

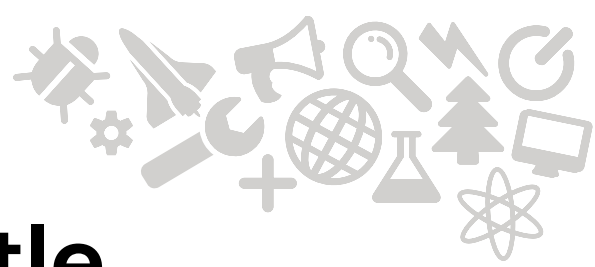
**Lives:** Africa, Middle East, Asia

**Size:** 80mm

**Food:** leaves, bark, seeds, grass, flowers,  
crops from nearby farms

**Habitat:** deserts and grasslands

**Fun fact:** locusts need to eat their own body  
weight (2g) in food per day.



# Jewel Beetle



**Scientific name:** *Buprestidae*

**Lives:** worldwide, but mainly in the Northern Hemisphere

**Size:** 3-80mm

**Food:** leaves, nectar, stems, roots of plants

**Habitat:** under leaves and plant material

**Fun fact:** several cultures throughout history have used the jewel beetle carapace (shell) for decorative purposes, such as jewellery or in religious ceremonies.



# Frog Legged Leaf Beetle



**Scientific name:** *Sagra buqueti*

**Lives:** South Asia

**Size:** up to 50mm

**Food:** soft fruit, banana and apple

**Habitat:** rainforest

**Fun fact:** unlike a frog, this beetle does not use it's legs for jumping, but to hold onto the stems of plants. It also produces massive cocoons!





# Female Stag Beetle



**Scientific name:** *Lucanidae*

**Lives:** all over Europe

**Size:** 30-50mm

**Food:** tree sap and decomposing fruit juices

**Habitat:** woodland, hedgerows, traditional orchards, parks and gardens

**Fun fact:** female stag beetles have shiny brown cases and can often be found on the ground looking for somewhere to lay their eggs.



# Diving Beetle



**Scientific name:** *Dytiscidae*

**Lives:** worldwide

**Size:** 30-50mm

**Food:** aquatic larvae, carrion, algae and plants- they have a fierce pair of jaws

**Habitat:** any freshwater habitat such as ponds, lakes, dams and the edges of streams

**Fun fact:** the adult stores air beneath its wing cases to allow it to stay underwater for longer to hunt.



# Damselfly



**Scientific name:** *Zygoptera*

**Lives:** every continent except Antarctica

**Size:** 40mm

**Food:** almost any soft-bodied flying insect including mosquitoes, flies, small moths, mayflies, and flying ants or termites

**Habitat:** streams, ponds, lakes, wetlands, and rivers

**Fun fact:** the adults change colour as they mature. They are not good swimmers.



# Black Tailed Hornet



**Scientific name:** *Vespa ducalis*

**Lives:** tropical Asia, Europe, Africa, North America

**Size:** 24-35mm

**Food:** insects and nectar

**Habitat:** nests are usually underground or in crevices

**Fun fact:** they attack the nests of paper wasps and capture paper wasp larvae to feed to their own larvae.



# Asian Long-horned Beetle



**Scientific name:** *Anoplophora glabripennis*

**Lives:** Korea, China, Japan, USA and Europe

**Size:** 20-40mm

**Food:** leaves and twigs

**Habitat:** poplar, birch, willow, elm, maple, ash, horse chestnut trees

**Fun fact:** these beetles are killers of broadleaf trees. They're not in the UK yet, but there's a high risk of them being imported on wood packaging.