

Pest Profile



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Common Name: Pearslug

Scientific Name: *Caliroa cerasi*

Order and Family: Hymenoptera, Tenthredinidae

Size and Appearance:

	Adult	Egg	Larvae/ Nymph	Pupae
Length (mm)	5 mm		1-11 mm	
Appearance	Stout, black with front and middle tibiae		Dark to light green, slug like and shiny	

Type of feeder (Chewing, sucking, etc.): Chewing

Host plant/s: Rosaceous plants, especially pear and cherry, and to a lesser extent cotoneaster, plum, and hawthorn.

Description of Damage (larvae and adults): Larvae skeletonize the upper surface of leaves. The habitat of adults is unknown.

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