

Beneficial insects: Predators

Predators feed by directly consuming prey at some stage of their lifecycle



Ladybird beetles

Lacewings



Lacewing eggs



Lacewing adult



Lacewing larva



Antlion larvae trap funnels



Antlion adult

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Spiders



Robber flies

Wasps



Dragonflies



Ants



Even caterpillars

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Predatory mite

'Prey' mite



Tiger beetles



Assassin bugs



Predatory shield bugs



Mantids



Pirate bugs



Beneficial insects: Parasitoids

Parasitoids lay their eggs in other insects and feed inside usually killing the host



Ichneumonid wasp parasitising a spider



Tachinid flies



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Ichneumonid wasps



Tiny wasps parasitising large caterpillars



Tiny wasps parasitising aphids



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Tiny wasps parasitising moth eggs

