

'Exploring Eden's Ecosystem'



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Sulawesi White-eye



White's tree frog





Cocoa trees



Gecko



Sooty mould

Mealybugs



Aphids on a cocoa leaf



Aphid sucking sap from a leaf





Roulroul partridge



Millipede



Lacewing larvae sucking the insides out of an aphid!





Scale insects

White footed ants 'farming' Scale insects



Ladybird larvae eating an aphid



Adult Ladybird

We use a parasitic wasp to help us control the numbers of aphids, mealybugs and scale insects. The wasp first injects an egg into the pest's body. The egg hatches and the larva feeds on it from the inside, killing it. The larva continues to develop into a wasp which then emerges!

This photo shows a dead aphid with the hole left behind where the wasp emerged.



<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rLtUk-W5Gpk>

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