Sustainable Ewe

The Home of Sustainability in Central Hawke's Bay



The Good, The Bad, and the Bugly

The Good Guys!

These are the insects we want in our gardens because they either help to pollinate plants or they help to fight the bad guys!

- Beetles
- Centipedes
- Dragonflies
- Harvestmen
- Hoverflies
- Lacewings
- Ladybirds and Larvae
- Parasitic Wasps
- Praying Mantis
- Predatory Mites
- Spiders



The Bad Guys!

These insects damage plants (and sometimes people)

Aphids - Transmit disease to plants, stress plants.

Scale Insects and Mealybugs - Transmit disease to plants, stress plants.

Thrips - Transmit disease to plants, stress plants.

Mites - Damage and stress plants.

Psyllids - Transmit disease to plants, stress plants.

Whitefly - Damage and stress plants.

Ants - Farm and protect sap sucking insect pests.

Slugs/snails - Damage and stress plants.

Plant Hoppers - Damage and stress plants.

Carrot Rust Fly - Damages root vegetables.

Codling Moth - Damage apple fruit.

Caterpillars - Damage plants.

Wasps - Sting, harm NZ environment, nuisance.

Shield/Stink Bugs - Damage and stress plants.

Chewing Insects (Weevils, black/brown beetles, leaf miners, etc.) - Damage plants.

