Leaf Miners
Leaf Miner Types

serpentine

blotch
Leaf Miner or Scorch?
Managing Leaf Miners

- **Identify** - Is it a fly, moth, wasp or beetle?
  - Foliar acephate kills all 4 kinds
  - Spinosad kills flies, moths, and wasps.
  - Soil applied imidacloprid kills wasps, beetles and flies

- **Learn life cycle**

- **Target newly hatched larvae with insecticide**
  - Timing differs for contact, systemic foliar and soil applied systemic insecticides

- **Conserve natural enemies**
  - Nematodes
Insecticide Application Targets

- **Contact Insecticide (Adults)**
  - Adults pick up insecticide as they walk on leaves in search of egg laying sites
    (eg. Pyrethroids – permethrin, bifenthrin, deltamethrin etc)

- **Foliar systemic insecticide (Larvae)**
  - Material penetrates leaf tissue
  - Direct toward egg hatch and young larvae
    (eg. acephate, spinosad)

- **Soil applied insecticide (Larvae)**
  - Apply in fall or early spring to soil
  - Young leaf tissue in contains insecticide that kills larvae
    (eg. Imidacloprid)
Birch Leaf Miner; *Fenusa pusilla*
Birch Leaf Miner Mines
Birch Leaf Miner and Egg Laying Sites
Hawthorn Leaf Miner (Sawfly)
Native Holly Leaf Miner (Serpentine Mine)
Oviposition Scars by Native Holly Leaf Miner
Inkberry Holly Leaf Miner
*Phytomyza glabricola*
Adult Black Locust Leaf Miner
Vegetable Leaf Miners
Flea Weevils - Defoliate and Mine

- Magnolia Flea Weevil
- Elm Flea Weevil
Elm Flea Weevil *Orchestes alni*

- First found in 2003 in multiple locations of Midwest including West Lafayette
- OW adults emerge in May to feed on Elms through early June
- Eggs laid in leaves produce June mines
- Adults emerge in late July and feed on leaves till they overwinter.
Adult European Pine Shoot Moth
European Pine Shoot Moth Damage
European Pine Shoot Moth