

# Pest Profile



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**Common Name:** Greenhouse Thrips

**Scientific Name:** *Heliethrips haemorrhoidalis*

**Order and Family:** Thysanoptera; Thripidae

## Size and Appearance:

	Length (mm)	Appearance
Egg		Adults insert their eggs into the leaf or fruit surface.
Nymph	< 1 mm	-Whitish to slightly yellowish in color with red eyes -No wings
Adult	1 mm	-Head and thorax darken to black while the abdomen changes from yellow, yellow-red, brown, and black. -Wings fold on dorsal side

**Type of feeder:** Rasping-sucking

**Host plants:** Avocado, viburnum, dogwood, azalea, grape, palms, orchids, philodendron, maple, magnolia, dahlia, ferns, and hibiscus

**Description of Damage:** Nymphs and adults suck out content of epidermal cells, leaving behind a soiled appearance from their feces. Eventually surfaces of leaves or fruit become bereft of pigment. Major damage can occur by devaluing fruit.

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