



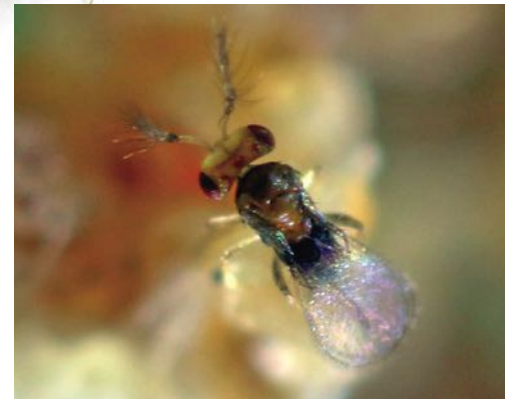
## Tricho-Fruits - Moth egg parasite

Target pests : Pyralid moths, tortricid moths, codling moths, leafrollers, leaf tiers and others moth pests.

### Description

Trichogramma wasps specialize in parasitizing lepidopteran (moth and butterfly) eggs. The adults are tiny, measuring less than 1 mm. After mating, females actively seek lepidopteran eggs and lay their eggs inside. The trichogramma larvae develop and feed on the pest embryo.

A new generation of trichogramma will emerge 2 weeks later. These parasitic wasps are very effective at reducing the populations of several pest species that attack flowering trees, ornamental trees and fruits trees.



### Life cycle

- Optimal conditions are a temperature between 18 to 30 ° C and a humidity relative de 50 to 80%.
- A female can lay 50 eggs over a period of several days.
- Trichograms emerge after 2-4 days depending on temperature.
- The eggs parasitized by Trichogramma turn black after 4-6 days. New adults emerge 3-6 days depending on ambient temperature.

### Introduction rates

Type of tree	Rate	Surface	Frequency	Duration
General	1 card of 8000 <i>T. minutum</i> pupae	Per 25 m <sup>2</sup>	Per week	For 5 weeks (start at the flower bloom).
Dwarf	1 card of 8000 <i>T. minutum</i> pupae	Per tree	Per week	For 5 weeks (start at the flower bloom).
Semi-Dwarf	2 card of 8000 <i>T. minutum</i> pupae	Per tree	Per week	For 5 weeks (start at the flower bloom).
Standard tree	3 card of 8000 <i>T. minutum</i> pupae	Per tree	Per week	For 5 weeks (start at the flower bloom).



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### Using Tricho-fruits

Tricho-Fruits is a species of *Trichogramma* (*Trichogramma minutum*) specifically selected for maximum results in suppressing moth and butterfly (Lepidoptera) eggs in fruit trees. Since the tiny wasps parasitize at the egg stage, it is very important that the cards be present before the pests lay their eggs.

This natural method eliminates the damage moth and butterfly larvae cause to fruit trees and their fruit.

Start at the flower bloom, promptly install the cards. The optimal condition for using Tricho-Fruits is when the ambient temperature is over 15 °C. 5 releases per growing season are generally necessary for good control. Apply new cards to the trees every 7 days.

Unused cards can be kept in the refrigerator for up to 4 weeks.

### Format

Card containing 8000 *T. minutum* pupae.



### Instructions

1



Hold the cards at the edges.

2



Use the provided hook to hang the card on a branch approximately 1.5 metres (5 feet) off the ground.

Place the end of the hook in the small slot to secure the card in the tree (otherwise the card may leave with the wind).

3



Keep cards in place for 3 weeks. Put new cards every 7 days for up to 5 weeks, according to the target pest.

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Do not freeze • Can be refrigerate for maximum 4 weeks



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