



Didion longulum

Target pests

- Many Species of Aphids

Target crops

- Ornamentals
- Tomatoes
- Cucumber
- Peppers

Didion longulum (Coleoptera: Coccinellidae) is a native ladybird beetle widely distributed across North America.

Adults are small, round, and black with characteristic white or pale markings on the pronotum, measuring about 3–4 mm in length. Both larvae and adults are predators of aphids, feeding on a variety of species. In addition to aphids, they also feed on small insects and nectar.

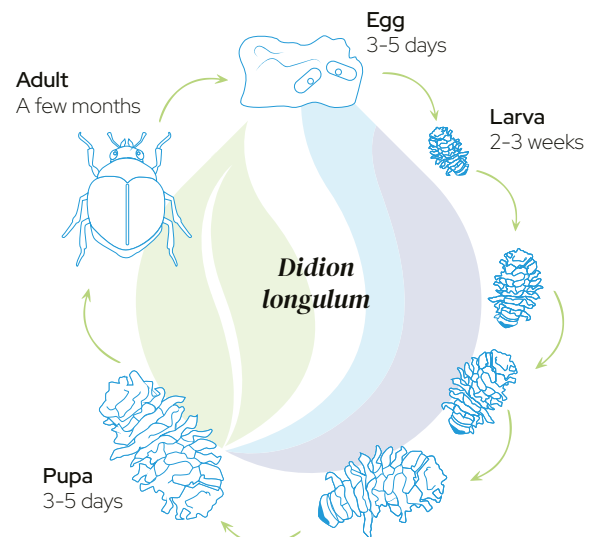
The larvae are covered with a white waxy coating, which can sometimes cause them to be mistaken for pests.

Life cycle

- Life cycle:** typically lasts 3–4 weeks, depending on conditions.
- Optimal condition:** 20–25°C, humidity from 50–70%.
- Quiescence:** More active above 15°C.
- Reproduction:** Eggs are laid in clusters on leaves near aphid colonies; larvae hatch and actively feed before pupating into adults.

Introduction rate

Introduction	Quantity	Frequency	Duration
Preventive	0.2–0.4 individuals/m ²	3 weeks	Until control
Curative	0.5–1 individuals/m ²	1 weeks	Until control



Application

Open the container and gently empty on infested plants.

NOTE: Larvae look like mealybugs but are larger/quicker and feed voraciously on aphids.

Storage



Use upon receipt.



Do not refrigerate or freeze.