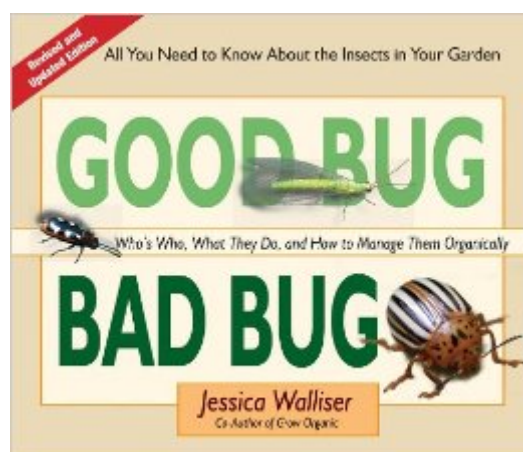


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# Good Bug Bad Bug: Who's Who, What They Do, And How To Manage Them Organically (All You Need To Know About The Insects In Your Garden)



## Synopsis

Good Bug Bad Bug, updated 2nd edition, is an indispensable field guide for quickly and easily identifying the most common invasive and beneficial insects in the garden; plus the best organic advice on how to attract the good guys and manage the bad guys - without reaching for the toxic chemicals. Includes strategies for dealing with the "new bugs in town" - those worrisome strangers that are starting to show up due to climate change (and some that have just flown in from abroad). Forty-one bugs, presented in full color on laminated card stock, with concealed wire binding. Sturdy enough to take into the garden for easy reference. An attractive gift book for adults and curious kids alike. The 2nd edition contains a number of color photographs not seen in the 1st edition and presents three new "bad bugs" to add to the rogues gallery of insect pests. Additional "bad bugs" to be found in the 2nd edition: The Grasshopper- which causes significant damage to the gardens of North America and can fly for miles. The Lygus Bug - another significant North American pest, doing great damage to fruits, berries, vegetables and flowers; especially prolific in the South. The Brown Marmorated Stink Bug - a recent arrival from Asia that feeds on fruits, vegetables, berries and flowers, and has a nasty habit of invading our homes.

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## Customer Reviews

First this is a very pretty little book with coated paper so you can take it into the garden. The selection of insects, however, is very limited. Most of my pests are not included. As for the photos, I have the same complaint that I have with almost every insect book that I've tried - something is

missing from almost every insect profile. In this book all the insects are shown at about the same size even though in life they vary greatly. The size is mentioned in the text, but it would have been so easy to include a scale to indicate the actual size. My next complaint is lack of information on the different life stages. These things do not necessarily look similar as juveniles and adults - and a photo of eggs would be very helpful. In fact, to be really useful every insect covered should be shown as egg, nymph or juvenile, pupa (if appropriate) and adult. In some cases a sketch with scale would really be more helpful than the photo. I do like the information provided on how to encourage each beneficial, but many of them could have been treated in a table. What is the use of a photo when the insect is rarely even seen because of its size? Maybe a few more pests could have been included to replace these meaningless pictures.

I love having this book out in the garden with me so I can figure out which insects are the enemy. It's easy to use, the photos are nice and the spiral binding is perfect. It's just the right size to throw in my tool bag when I'm going to work in the garden. I like how plant damage is highlighted in photos along with pictures of the larval state of some of the insects. Good Bug, Bad Bug is well written, full of invaluable information and an indispensable tool for every gardener.

Author did a great job with the bugs covered. Wish it were more comprehensive. There are many more garden pests that are not covered in this book and I'm still looking for a reference to identify them. I did learn a few valuable things from this book, I was just expecting more.

This book is clearly designed as a quick reference for the uninitiated. It is not extensive enough to provide a gardener with a solid knowledge of how to identify and eliminate pests that may be plaguing a garden. If you are beginning to look at organic pest control by using organic products and beneficial bugs then this book will provide you with a cursory, fundamental knowledge.

Likewise, it is a little pricey given its abbreviated content. I suppose one is paying for the binding and the pictures.

I am really glad I got this book. It is great for quick reference. I really like the fact that it is spiral bound and you can flip through the thick pages easily. Very durable and a must have for all you gardeners! Nice, colorful pictures and I love seeing the different stages ( nymph, larvae, etc.) that helps me identify the bad bugs before they hatch. I love the organic treatment for pests for a more healthful solution. Thank you for this book!

I and my Herbal Society Club just had an exhibit at our county fair and won 3rd place. This book was very helpful, interesting and was just the ticket for our display and teaching about companion gardening. Many times I've been in the garden and have seen many bugs and didn't know who was eating what and now I can think back and recognise many of the little pests!

I just wanted this book for help in better understanding insects that I found in and around the home. I think this book is a good reference for most anyone. I feel more comfortable and have a better understanding of how the occasional insects I've found indoors got inside to begin with. In my case they road in on fresh produce. Most importantly, this book has helped me to realize that I don't need to bombard my living space with pesticides. That's a huge plus for me. Who knows what the chemicals might do over time. In most cases, I can pick them up, and set them free outside.

I needed some reference material on bugs to teach summer campers aged 6-12. I found this book to be a great reference book for them as well as a great addition to my personal library.

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