

Trichogramma wasp

Tricogrammatidae

Adults: Minute. Often yellow or yellow and black. Red eyes.

Eggs: Female deposits an egg inside the egg of the host insect.

Larvae: Hatch inside and feed on the host eggs.



Length: 0.5 mm

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Pupae: Pupation occurs within the parasitized egg. Adults emerge in 7-10 days. One or more individuals develop within the same host egg. Parasitized eggs are often black; a small hole in the host egg indicates the wasp emerged.

Hosts: Moth eggs, including corn earworm, European corn borer, diamondback moth, and tomato and tobacco hornworm.