

# Pest Alert

## Spotted Lanternfly (*Lycorma delicatula*)

*This agricultural pest makes use of over 70 plant species, including grape vines, hops, fruit trees, ornamental trees, woody trees, vegetables, and herbs.*

**Please Report a Find to**

**1-833-223- 2840 (BADBUG0) SLF-plantindustry@ag.nj.gov**

Adult spotted lanternflies are approximately 1 inch long and one-half inch wide, and they have large and visually striking wings. Their forewings are light brown with black spots at the front and a speckled band at the rear.

Their hind wings are scarlet with black spots at the front and white and black bars at the rear. Their abdomen is yellow with black bars. Nymphs in their early stages of development appear black with white spots and turn to a red phase before becoming adults.

Egg masses are yellowish-brown in color, covered with a gray, waxy coating prior to hatching.



Adult spotted lanternfly



Nymphs are black with white spots in early stages of development. (Credit: itchydogimages)



Adult spotted lanternfly



Nymphs turn red just before becoming adults. (Credit: itchydogimages)



Hatched and unhatched egg masses