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# TOOLS FOR IDENTIFYING THE LARVAE OF LEAFROLLERS (LEPIDOPTERA: TORTRICIDAE) FREQUENTLY INTERCEPTED AT U.S. PORTS OF ENTRY

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#### INTRODUCTION

Leafrollers (the family Tortricidae) are among the most commonly intercepted microlepidoptera larvae at U.S. ports-of-entry. They frequently infest fruit, nuts, seeds, flowers, leaves, and other parts of vascular plants, and they are encountered in personal baggage as well as in imported commodities. Unfortunately, the most widely available and useful key for APHIS/PPQ port inspectors/identifiers is the portion of Weisman's (1986) Lepidoptera key dedicated to this family. That key includes only 10 species, and the nomenclature is somewhat outdated.

Comprehensive treatments of tortricid larvae were developed by Swatschek (1958) for the European fauna and by MacKay (1959, 1962) for the Nearctic fauna. More recently, Brown (1983) summarized our knowledge of the North American tortricid larvae, providing keys to pest species arranged by host plant groupings (i.e., larvae on conifers, larvae on rosaceous plants, larvae on legumes). Horak and Brown (1991) provided general, brief descriptions of tortricid larvae, focusing on differences at the tribal level. While all of these contributions provide excellent information on the family and are important references, none is particularly useful for identifying the tortricid "fauna" that is encountered by inspectors at our ports.

The purpose of this paper is to provide three dichotomous keys: (1) a much expanded and updated version of the tortricid portion of the Weisman's key; (2) a key to Olethreutinae intercepted most frequently on *Castanea*; and (3) a refined translation of Swatschek's (1958) key to the genera of the tribe Archipini in Europe. The latter group represents the most frequently intercepted Tortricinae at U.S. ports. In addition, a table of the most common plant-tortricid

associations encountered at ports is provided.

Before attempting to use the keys and the table, it is important to make sure that you've correctly identified the larva to family. Tortricids share with many microlepidoptera the following: trisetose L group on the prothorax; L1 and L2 on a shared pinaculum on A2-A7; and crochets in a circle. Larvae of tortricids can be distinguished from other microlepidoptera by a combination of the following characters: (1) A8 with SD1 almost always anterad (sometimes slightly dorso- or ventroanterad) of the spiracle; (2) A9 with D2s almost always on a common dorsal pinaculum on A9; (3) A9 with D1 and SD1 present and in two distinct configurations: on the same or different pinacula; and (4) A10 frequently with an anal fork (lost secondarily in many Olethreutinae).

Deviations from the above can be found in the following. (1) Although SD1 is almost always anterad of spiracle on A8, it is anterodorsad in a few genera and almost precisely dorsad in several North American species of *Eucosma* on *Pinus*. (2) The D2s are almost always on a common dorsal pinaculum on A9; however, they are on separate pinacula in several species of *Cydia* in which the larva is extremely pale and the pinacula nearly without pigmentation. (3) In most Olethreutinae D1 and SD1 are on the same pinaculum, and in most Tortricinae they are on separate pinacula. (4) Microlepidoptera larvae with an anal fork are almost always Tortricidae (although the structure is lost in many Olethreutinae). One genus of Gelechiidae (i.e., *Anarsia*) has an anal fork that can be confused with that of a tortricid. This genus has significant gaps in the crochets on the prolegs (including the anal proleg) so that they do not form in a complete circle.

Because larvae are highly variable, many specimens will not key convincingly to a final

couplet. In these situations, either follow the "best fit" or return to the previous "convincing" couplet. Some larvae are asymmetrical from side-to-side, particularly in the number of setae. In these situations, the "higher number" is almost always the correct value. That is, on a larva that has a bisetose L-group on the right side of A9 and a trisetose L-group on the left side, consider the trisetose condition as "correct."

## Key to Tortricid Larvae

### Frequently Intercepted at U.S. Ports-of-entry

. D1 and SD1 on the same pinaculum on A9 (Fig. 1); anal fork present (Fig. 3) or absent2
.' D1 and SD1 on separate pinacula on A9 (Fig. 2); anal fork almost always present
Group 1 ("Tortricinae" Type)
2. L pinaculum on T1 enlarged, extending beneath and beyond (posterad of) spiracle (Fig. 4)
2.' L pinaculum on T1 simple or variously modified, but not extending beneath spiracle (Fig. 5).3
3. Anal fork absent
3'. Anal fork present Group 4 ("Olethreutinae" type)

# Group 1. Tortricinae Type

1.' SV group on A1,2,7,8,9 usually 3:3:2:2:2 or 2:3:2:2:2
1. SV group on A1,2,7,8,9 usually 3:3:3:2:2
2. Usually <25 crochets; tiny SD2 pinaculum frequently separate from the larger SD1 pinaculum
2. Usually >25 crochets; tiny SD2 pinaculum fused with the larger SD1 pinaculum on A1-7
(often difficult to see)
3. Distance between V setae on A9 usually greater than 1.25 the distance between V setae on A8.
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3.' Distance between V setae on A9 usually less than 1.25 the distance between V setae on A8 or
A7 (usually about the same distance)
4. Europe; L1 setae of anal shield moderate in length5
4.' New World; L1 setae of anal shield extremely long
5. Prothoracic shield "two-toned," pale orange-brown; on lilac (Syringa)
5.' Prothoracic shield yellow or pale yellow, with a large, dark, irregular blotch at posterior
angle, and head with short dark bar on cheek (larva pale; pinacula moderately large; S3 closer to
S2 than to S1; Vs on A9 about 1.5 as far a part as those on A8 only on last instar; crochets 53-58
on abdominal prolegs); on cut flowers and fruit (including Capsicum) (Europe)
6. Prothoracic shield usually uniform dark in color: L and SV pinacula on T1 dark brown or

black, strongly sclerotized; dorsal pinacula on A1-8 usually somewhat elongate-oval; Vs on A9 usually about 2 times as far apart as those on A8; on various hosts (Neotropics) .... Platynota spp. 6.' Prothoracic shield pale with distinct narrow band along ventral edge, continuing anterad on head (genal band) towards stemmatal region; L and SV pinacula on T1 brownish, somewhat sclerotized; dorsal pinacula on A1-8 usually somewhat rounded; Vs on A9 1.25-1.80 times as far apart as those on A8; frequently on Rubus, Crataegus, Limonium, cut flowers (mostly Central America) 7. Spiracles on A1-7 about the same size as the base (point of insertion) of setae SD1 ......8 7.' Spiracles on A1-7 larger than the base (point of insertion) of setae SD1 ......9 8. Head pale yellow with variable brown or light brown pattern; prothoracic shield pale yellow 8.' Head mostly dark brown with limited mottling; prothoracic shield variable; on Capsicum and 8." Prothoracic shield uniform pale yellow, with small dark spot at genal angle of head; crochets triordinal, 57-60 on abdominal prolegs; Vs on A9 0.9-1.0 times as far apart as those on A8; on Citrus, Fragaria, Malus, cut flowers, and others (Australia, New Zealand) ...... 9. Prothoracic shield yellow with brown lateral margins; spiracle slightly larger than base of setae; crochets triordinal, 44-48 on abdominal prolegs; Vs on A9 ca. same distance apart as those on A8 (S2 closer to S3 than to S1); on Ornithogalum (South Africa)Epichorista acerbella (Walker) 9.' Prothoracic shield usually uniform dark brown, various hosts (crochets on abdomoinal

prolegs, triordinal, 45-50; larva tan, integument granular) (Europe, mostly Netherlands)
Group 2. Cryptophlebia Type
1. Anal fork present
1.' Anal fork absent4
2. L-group on A9 bisetose (both setae on same pinaculum); pinacula usually moderate to large;
Vs on A9 much further apart than those on A8 (mostly New World)
2.' L-group on A9 usually trisetose (all setae usually on same pinaulum); pinacula moderate; Vs
on A9 slightly further apart than those on A8 (mostly Africa)
3. SV-group usually 2:2:2:2:1; pinacula large; on Capsicum (Mexico, Central America)
3.' SV group 3:3:2:2:2(1); pinacula moderate to large; on <i>Opuntia</i> , <i>Pithecellobium</i> , Asteraceae
many Cochylini
4. At least one (usually more) dorsal pinacula with small incision, notch, or clear spot; Vs on A9
usually 1.5-2.0 times as far apart as Vs on A86
4.' Dorsal pinacula usually without small incision, notch, or clear spot; Vs on A9 variable from
1.0-2.0 as far apart as Vs on A8
5. SV-group on A1,2,7,8,9 usually 3:3:3:2:2; L-group on A9 trisetose, all setae usually on same
pinaculum; abdominal prolegs with 45-48 crochets; on litchi, longan, macadamia, and others
(Asia, Hawaii)

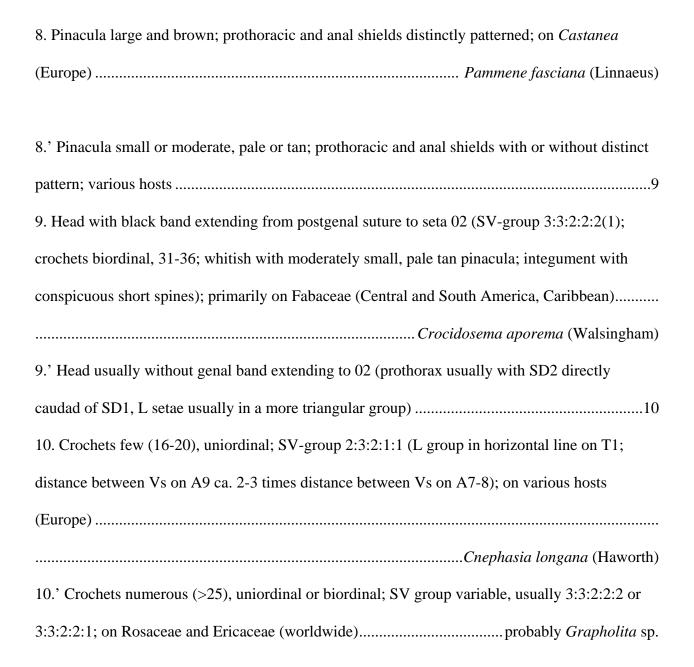
5.' SV-group on A1,2,7,8,9 usually 3:3:2:2(1):1; L-group on A9 uni-, bi- or trisetose; abdominal
prolegs with 20-30 crochets, on legumes (South and Central America). Cydia fabivora (Meyrick)
6. SV-group usually 3:3:3(2):2:1; L-group on A9 usually trisetose; abdominal prolegs with 50-60
crochets (South and Central America, Caribbean) Gymnandrosoma aurantianum (Lima)
6.' SV-group usually 3:3:3:1:1; L-group on A9 usually bisetose (Asia)
Group 3. Cydia Type
1. D1s, D2s, and SD1s on A9 all on same enlarged (ill-defined) pinaculum (integument
conspicuously spiny; crochets on abdominal prolegs 16-19); on Annona and Mammae (Mexico,
Central America, Caribbean)
1.' D2s on pinacula separate from D1 and SD2 (D2 shared pinaculum sometimes very weakly
developed)2
2. On Castanea
2.' On various other hosts
3. On Aracauria from South America (Brazil, Argentina, and Chile) (body pinkish with medium
large, pale brown pinacula; prothoracic shield light brown, anal shield dark brown; L pinaculum
of T1 rather large, <b>sometimes notched distally</b> ; Ls on A9 sometimes all on the same pinacula;
SV-group 3:3:2(3):1(2):1; crochets 34-37)

3.' On various hosts (including Carya, Prunus, Malus)......4

4' On other hosts (mostly Rosaceae from Europe, South America, Asia) ......5

5. D2s on A9 always on same pinaculum; SV group usually 3:3:2:2:1; usually (but not always)
with distinct pattern on anal and prothoracic shields; A9 with ventralmost L seta on a separate
pinaculum; 30-35 crochets (cosmopolitan)
5.' D2s on A9 on separate or same pinacula; SV group variable; prothoracic shield with
"pomonella" pattern usually faint or lacking (variably developed); fewer than 25 crochets6
6. On spruce cones ( <i>Picea</i> ), from Europe
6.' On Malus, from Europe (prothoracic shield moderately uniformly dark; pinacula small and
dark)
6." On Malus, from Europe (prothoracic and anal shields with typical <i>Cydia</i> pattern)
6." On Castanea, from Europe go to key of Castanea-feeding Olethreutinae
Group 4. Olethreutinae Type
1. SV group on A1,2,7,8,9 usually 3:3:3:2:2 (mostly Tortricinae) 2
1.' SV group on A1,2,7,8,9 usually less than 3:3:3:2:2(mostly Olethreutinae) 7
2. From Europe, Asia, and Africa
2.' From New Zealand or South America
2." From Mexico (pale color - internal feeder)
3. L-group on A9 bisetose
3'. L-group on A9 trisetose
4. On Vitis (Europe, Asia, and Africa); integument not particularly spiny (SV group 3:3:3:2:2(1);
L-group fairly horizontal on T1; distance between Vs on A9 ca. 2 times distance between Vs on

A8; crochets biordinal)
4.' On <i>Quercus</i> (from Europe); integument spiny
5. From New Zealand; on Malus, Fragaria, Prunus6
5.' From Chile and Argentina; on Vitis, Citrus, Prunus, kiwi, and other fruits (spiracle on A8
relatively large; spiracles on A1-7 larger than base of SD1 seta)
6. Prothoracic shield pale, without fuscous margins
6.' Prothoracic shield pale, with fuscous lateral and posterior margins
7. L group bisetose on A9a few Cochylini (some Cnephasiini, see couplet 10)
7.' L group trisetose on A9



1. From Europe (primarily Portugal, Spain, Italy	y, Greece)2
1.' From Asia (primarily Korea, Japan, China).	4
2. Anal fork present (Fig. 2), pinacula extremely	y large, darkPammene fasciana (Linnaeus)
2.' Anal fork absent, pinacula usually moderate	ly small3
3. Body pinkish or whitish, pinacula mostly cor	acolorous with body; distance between Vs on A9
slightly to conspicuously greater than that between	een Vs on A8 (Fig. 3b); number of crochets on
most prolegs 19 or fewer (variable form proleg	to proleg)
3.' Body reddish white, pinacula red; distance b	between Vs on A9 usually about the same as that
between Vs on A8 (Fig. 3a); number of crochet	s on most prolegs 18-24 (variable from proleg to
proleg)	
4. SV-group on A9 bisetose (Fig. 4a); head dark	brown, often with darker maculations; crochets
biordinal	Eucoenogenes aestuosa (Meyrick)
4.' SV-group on A9 unisetose (Fig. 4b), head yo	ellowish brown, without maculations; crochets
mostly uniordinal	5
5. Body red, pinacula inconspicuous, concoloro	us with body; 15-28 crochets on abdominal
prolegs	
5.' Body whitish, pinacula conspicuous, darker	than body; 25-35 crochets on abdominal prolegs
	Cydia kurokoi (Amsel)

# Key to Archipini Genera of Europe (modified from Swatschek 1958)

1. Crochets at least partially (usually completely) biordinal; SV group bisetose or trisetose on A7
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1'. Crochets uniordinal; SV group unisetose on A7
2. SV group bisetose on A1, A2, and A7
2'. SV group trisetose on A1, A2, and A7
3. Head with S2 about equidistant from S1 and S3; spiracle conspicuously larger than socket of
SD1 on A2; V setae located slightly away from base on coxa on T2 [all characters present]4
3'. Head with S2 closer to S3 than to S1; or spiracle approximately same size as base of SD1 on
A2-7; or V setae located at the margin of the coxa on T2 [all characters rarely present together].9
4. SD1 on A8 located dorsoanterad of spiracle; the terminal claw of thoracic legs elongate and
slightly curved at end
4.' SD1 on A8 located anterad or ventrolaterad of spiracle; terminal claw of thoracic legs
variable5
5. Spiracle on A8 distinctly larger than that of prothorax; prothoracic shield with a black spot
between D2 and SD1
5.' Spiracle on A8 not as large as that of prothorax; prothoracic shield lacking black spot
between D2 and SD16
6. Spiracle on T1 and A8 elliptical; prolegs with ca. 45 crochets
6.' Spiracles on T1 and A8 round; if elliptical, than prolegs with greater than 60 crochets7
7. Head without dark pattern (except for stemmatal and genal areas); fronto-lateral sutures not

emarginate toward Frl-1 seta
7.' Head with dark pattern; or fronto-lateral sutures distinctly indented toward Frl-l seta8
8. Distance between V setae on A8 about the same as that on A9 equidistant; prothoracic shield
without large dark blotch at lower posterior corner
8.' Distance between V setae on A8 conspicuously less than that between V setae on A9;
prothoracic shield with large dark blotch at lower posterior corner
9. Crochets biordinal only along posterior margin
9.' Crochets completely biordinal, or uniordinal only at lateral margin12
10. Spiracles of A2-A7 larger than the point of insertion of SD1 (situated immediately dorsad);
head with S2 closer to S3 than to S1
10.' Spiracles of A2-A7 about the same size as the point of insertion of SD1 (situated
immediately dorsad); head with S2 equidistant from S3 and S1
11. Setae D1 and SD1 on separate pinacula on A9
11.' Pinacula of D1 and SD1 at least partly fused
12. Head with S2 equidistant from S3 and S1; spiracle on A2 not larger than socket of SD1; V
seta on T2 very close to margin of coxa
12.' Without the aforementioned combination of characters [may have one or two, but not all
three]
13. V setae on T2 situated very close to, but not on coxa
13.' V setae on T2 situated on coxa
14. Integument only weakly granulate; SV group on A8 perpendicular to longitudinal axis of
larva: head yellow

14' Integument strongly granulate, with distinct brown spinules; SV group on A8 parallel to
longitudinal axis of larva; head blackish brown
15. L group on A9 forming a right angle on a shared pinaculum; S2 equidistant from S1 and S3
Hastula
15.' L group on A9 not forming a right angle; or S2 closer to S3 than to S116
16. V setae on A9 further apart than V setae on A8; V setae on T2 located away from coxa17
16.' V setae on A9 not further apart than V setae on A8; V setae on T2 located very near coxa
17. Spiracle on A2 not larger than insertion point of SD1 (situated immediately dorsad);
prothoracic shield uniform brown
17.' Spiracle on A2 larger than insertion point of SD1 (situated immediately dorsad); prothoracic
shield with dark spotsLozotaenia
18. Spiracle on A2 larger than insertion point of SD1 (situated immediately dorsad); SV group
on A9 bisetose; D1s not closer than D2s on A819
18.' Spiracle on A2 smaller than socket of SD1 (situated immediately dorsad); if larger, than D1s
closer than D2s on A8; or SV group on A9 unisetose
19. V setae on T2 situated on the margin of the coxa; or head with S1, S2, S5 so weakly
pigmented that they appear white in contrast to other stemmata
19.' V setae on T2 distinctly set off from coxa; stemmata all uniformly well developedAphelia
20. Head with S3, S4 and S6 strongly pigmented (appear black), S1, S2 and S5 weakly
pigmented (appear white); V setae on T2 distinctly set off from coxa
20.' Head with all stemmata uniformly pigmented; V setae on T2 situated very close to coxa

#### Common Interceptions by Host Plant

Annona cherimola

Talponia batesi - Central America and Caribbean

Aracauria sp.

Cydia aracauria - South America (Brazil)

Byrsonima crassifolia

Gymnandrosoma aurantianum - Central and South America

Cajanus cajan

Cryptophlebia sp. - Africa

Capsicum spp.

Cacoecimorpha pronubana - Netherlands

Clepsis spectrana - Netherlands

Cochylini sp. - Mexico

Clepsis sp. - Netherlands

Platynota stultana - Mexico

Platynota sp. - Mexico, Caribbean

Thaumatotibia leucotreta - Africa

Castanea sp.

Cydia splendana - Europe

Cydia fagiglandana - Europe

Cydia glandicolana - Asia

Pammene fasciata - Europe

Eucoenogenes aestuosa - Asia

Citrus sp.

Isotenes miserana - Australia, New Zealand

Epiphyas postvittana - Australia, New Zealand

Epiphyas sp. - Australia, New Zealand

Adoxophyes sp. - Australia, New Zealand

Gymnandrosoma aurantiuanum - South America

Proeulia sp. - Chile

Crataegus sp.

Amorbia sp. - Central America

Grapholita sp. - Europe, Central America, South America

cut flowers (general)

Amorbia sp. - central America, South America

Clepsis spectrana - Netherland

Clepsis sp. - Netherlands

Cacoecimorpha pronubana - Netherlands

Cydonia oblonga

Grapholita sp. - Europe

Cydia pomonella - Europe

Diospyros sp.

Cydia sp. - Europe

Grapholita sp. - Europe

Limonium sp.

Amorbia sp. - Mexico

Litchi chinesis

Cryptophlebia sp. - Asia

Cryptophlebia sp. - Hawaii

Gymnandrosoma aurantianum - Costa Rica

Macadamia sp.

Cryptophlebia sp. - Asia, Hawaii

Gymnandrosoma aurantianum - Costa Rica

Malus sp.

Amorbia sp. - Central America

Cydia pomonella - Europe, Central America

Grapholita sp. - Europe, Central America

Platynota sp. - Central and South America

Malvaceae

*Crocidosema* sp. - Cosmopolitan

Ocimum sp.

Platynota sp. - Central and South America

Amorbia sp. - Central and South America

*Ornithogalum* sp.

Epichorista acerbella - South Africa

Persea spp.

Amorbia sp. - Central America

*Phaseolus* spp.

Cydia fabivora - Central and South America

Crocidosema aporema - Central and South America

Pithecellobium dulce

Cochylini - Mexico, Central America

Cryptophlebia sp. - Asia

*Prosopis* spp.

Grapholita sp. - Central America

Prunus spp.

Grapholita sp. - Europe, South America, Central America

Cydia sp. - Europe, South America, Central America

Psidium guajava

Gymnandrosoma sp. - Central America, Caribbean

Rosa sp.

Amorbia sp. - Central America

*Platynota* sp. - Central America

Rubus spp.

Amorbia sp. - Central America

Platynota sp. - Central America

Seticosta rubicola - Central America (Guatemala, Costa Rica)

Ruscus sp.

Cacoecimorpha pronubana - Europe

Saccharum officinarum

Tetramoera schistaceana - Asia

Sebastiania sp.

Cydia deshaisiana - Mexico

Vitis sp.

Lobesia botrana - Europe Eupoecilia ambiguella - Europe Proeulia sp. - Chile