

Some insects of Richmond Park  
and Ham Common - Part 1



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Part 1 of a series of booklets that illustrate some of the common (and a few rarer) insects found in Richmond Park and the adjacent Ham Common, especially the Woods.

The photographs are grouped by taxonomic group although not necessarily in the correct order.

This booklet covers some of the beetles and bugs that I have found and photographed in this part of Surrey. Some such as the Cardinal Click-Beetle have eluded me but others have not...

Help with some of the identifications has come from the wonderful iNaturalist website - highly recommended.

The cover image is of the rare Long-horned Beetle, *Leptura scutellaria* and the shot to the left shows the same beetle but with a Pseudo-Scorpion attached to it leg. An example of phoresy, insect hitch-hiking!

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Cardinal Beetles: *Pyrochroa coccinea* (Top) and *Pyrochroa serraticornis* (Bottom)





Top - Click-Beetles: *Ampedus balteatus* (left) and *Athous haemorrhoidalis* (right)  
Bottom left - Soldier Beetle (*Rhagonycha fulva*) and Bottom right - European Oak Borer (*Agrilus sulcicollis*)





Four-lined Long-horned Beetle (*Leptura quadrifasciata*)





Wasp Beetle, a Long-horned Beetle





The commonest Long-horned Beetle in Richmond Park - *Raputela (Strangalia) maculata*





Top - Acorn Weevil and Bottom - Thick-thighed Beetle (*Oedemera nobilis*)





Top - Rose Chafer, Bottom left - Garden Chafer and Bottom right - Welsh Chafer





Ladybirds: Top left- 7 Spot, Top right - Cream Spot, Bottom left - 14 Spot and Bottom right - Harlequin





Top - Black Clock, a ground beetle, Bottom left - Alder Leaf Beetle larva and Bottom right - Malachite Beetle





Bugs: Top left - *Harpocera thoracica*, Top right - Ant Damsel Bug and Bottom - *Phleum pratense*





Top - Oak Striped Bug, Bottom left - Squash Bug and Bottom right - Oak Striped Bug nymph feeding on a caterpillar





Nymphs: Left - *Miris striatus*, Top right - Forest Shield Bug and Bottom right - Green Shield Bug





Shield Bugs: Top left - Sloe Bug, Top right - Dock Bug nymph, Bottom left - Parent Bug and Bottom right - Forest Bug





Male Scorpion Fly