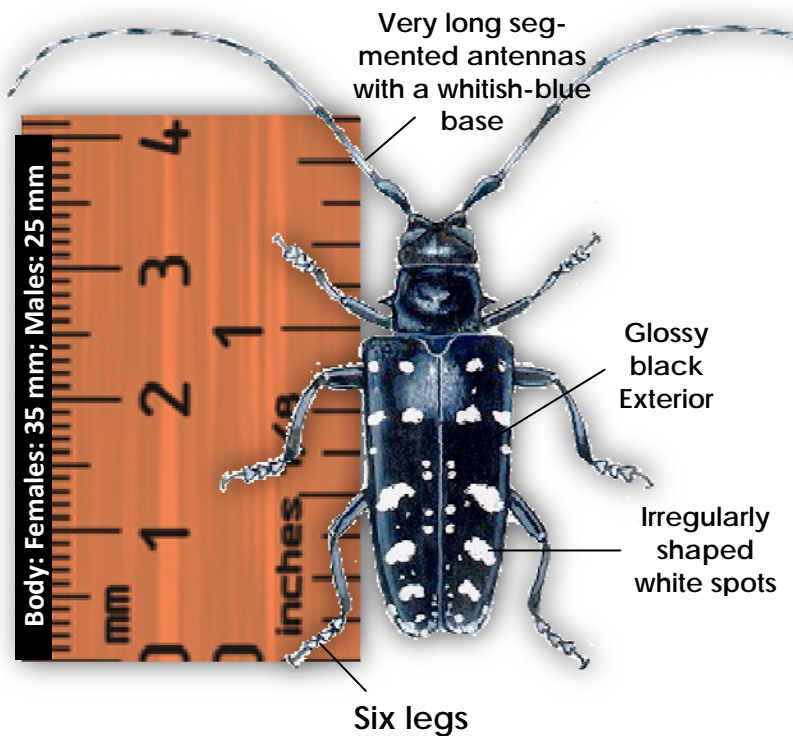


Help Identify the Asian Longhorned Beetle

The Asian longhorned beetle is a large, wood-boring invasive insect that infests trees and kills them. Help protect our trees. Search for signs of Asian longhorned beetles and report your findings.

Signs to Look For:

The Beetle



The Trees

The Asian longhorned beetle preys and grows on many different types of trees found in Ontario's vast deciduous forests. The most commonly attacked trees are maple (ornamental city trees), willow, cottonwood, poplar, birch, and elm.

The Lifecycle

The Asian longhorned beetle's lifecycle begins as an egg, hatches into a larva that burrows into its host throughout fall and winter, transforms into a pupa, and emerges as an adult during the summer.

The Evidence

The Asian longhorned beetle leaves several noticeable marks: Large 10mm circular holes, depression pits, flowing sap, sawdust-like wood shavings around the tree, and dying branches and leaves:

Chewed out oval grooves on main trunk, branches, and exposed roots where eggs are laid

Irregularly distributed 10-15mm exit holes

Sawdust-like wood shavings around the tree; short 15 mm long wood fibres



The Asian longhorned beetle can be spotted on trees, park benches, thick dead branches, parked cars, wooden patios, and other outdoor locations situated around trees and woodland areas.

Search and report your findings.

City of Toronto: 416-338-TREE (8733)

City of Vaughn (Woodbridge): 905-832-8562

Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA): 1-800-442-2342 or 416-665-5055

Natural Resources Canada: 613-995-0947

In other provinces, contact the Canadian Food Inspection Agency or The Canadian Forest Services.