

Further sources

This book provides information on some of the most common pests and beneficials, but there are also other guides that are worth having and other sources of information. It is not necessary to restrict your library to books dealing with only crops or pastures as many of the pests and beneficials are found in a range of crops, including horticultural crops. A few are listed here:

Ute Guide to Insects, published by GRDC (Grains Research & Development Corporation).

Horticultural guides (for example *Pests, Beneficials, Diseases and Disorders in Lettuce: Field Identification Guide*, by Sandra McDougall, NSW Department of Agriculture, 2003).

A Field Guide to Insects and Diseases of Australian Potato Crops, by Paul Horne, Rudolf de Boer and Denis Crawford, Melbourne University Press, 2002.

There are also CD-ROMs such as *Prime Notes* available, which contain information sheets from State Agriculture Departments. However, these are also usually accessible on the Internet. If using the Internet to search for a particular pest or beneficial species, just be cautious about the use of common names. The reason for using scientific names is to be sure we are talking about the same thing. For example, different countries have insects they call 'green lacewings' but they are a different species to the Australian lacewings. So you may find masses of information if you use the common name, but possibly none of it is relevant.