



Haliburton
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MISSING

Have you seen these 'Lost' Ladybugs?

Two 'Lost Lady Beetles'— if you find one - WE WANT TO KNOW ABOUT IT!



Nine-Spotted Lady Beetle

Look for 4 black spots on each side, plus one split down the middle.



Transverse Lady Beetle

Look for 4 long black spots, plus a black band across the top.

These native Lady Beetles, once common in Ontario, are now endangered and HHLT is looking for them this summer.

Two not 'lost', but very rare Lady Beetles, if you find one - WE WANT TO KNOW ABOUT IT TOO!



Two-spotted Lady Beetle

Easily recognized by the one spot on each side.



Parenthesis Lady Beetle

Instead of spots, look for 2 paired marks that look like Quotations marks.

If you think you see any of these Lady Beetles take a picture (from several angles if possible), with notation of location found, then post on iNaturalist "Lady Beetles of Haliburton County" project or email, along with your contact information to admin@haliburtonlandtrust.ca

Nine-spotted and Transverse Lady Beetles are species at risk (SAR) in Ontario and HHLT is trying to help! We will be searching our own properties and we are hoping you will help by becoming a Citizen Scientist and help sleuth on our behalf in your backyards or along your favourite hiking trails.

These beauties are not picky about their habitat, as long as they have food (like aphids). They will live in farm fields, meadows, forest edges, clearings, backyards and gardens.....so please keep your eyes open!

Even though tiny, they play an unique role in the food web ecosystem. Each time a species disappears the food web gets weaker. We need to keep the web strong to support all life on Earth, including humans!

Not to be mistaken for these impostors



Multicoloured Asian Lady Beetle

Can come in different colours, but always has too many or too few spots. Common non-native, often invades houses.



Seven-spotted Lady Beetle

Yes - not the correct number of spots. Unfortunately very common, but invasive.

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