



ARE YOU A

STINK BUG QUIZ MASTER?





Can you ID the Brown Marmorated Stink Bug (BMSB) by answering just a few questions? Do you know what it smells like? It's size?



Answer six easy questions about what this unwanted bug could do if it hitchhiked its way into New Zealand and on to our orchards, how to identify it, and how to report it.



You, the kids, friends, and family can all take part – see who gets the most right.



Get ready!

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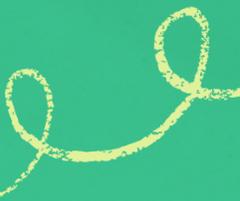
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The BMSB has a huge appetite and likes more than 200 different kinds of plants – especially ones with vegetables and fruit on them, like kiwifruit.

They suck the juice from plants and crops which damages them so much they can't grow anymore, and can't be sold for food.

They also invade the inside and outside of our homes by the tens of thousands (including crawling over furniture, curtains, and toothbrushes!). If they make their way here, we can say goodbye to relaxing picnics and BBQs – they'll be everywhere.



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Yep, you read that right.

Old socks, coriander, and sweaty feet are just some of the things the stink of the BMSB has been compared to.

Besides scaring away predators, researchers think the chemicals in the bug spray might also be antibacterial to help it stay fit and healthy.



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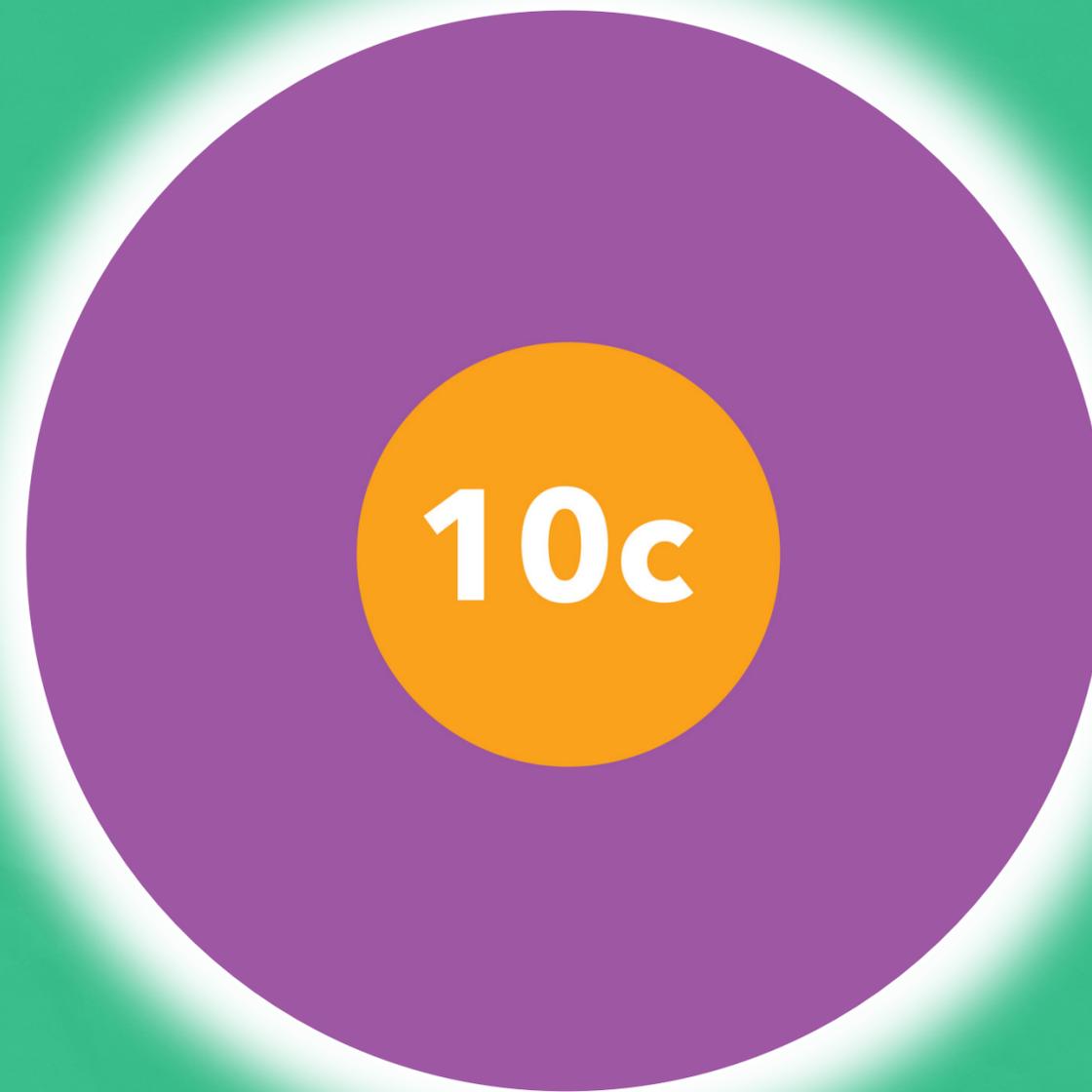
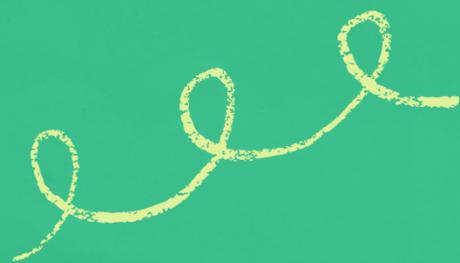
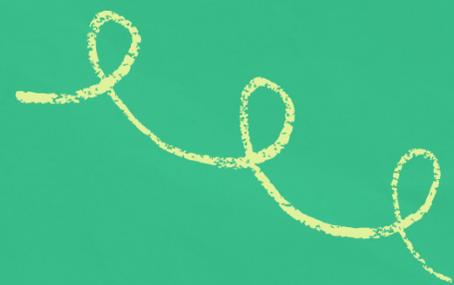
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The BMSB is most easily recognised by its large size, 14-17mm, which is roughly the same size as a 10-cent coin and larger than other shield bugs found in New Zealand.



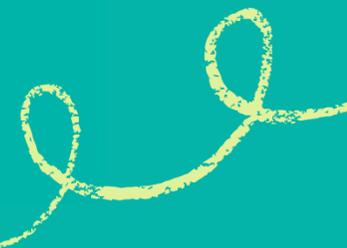
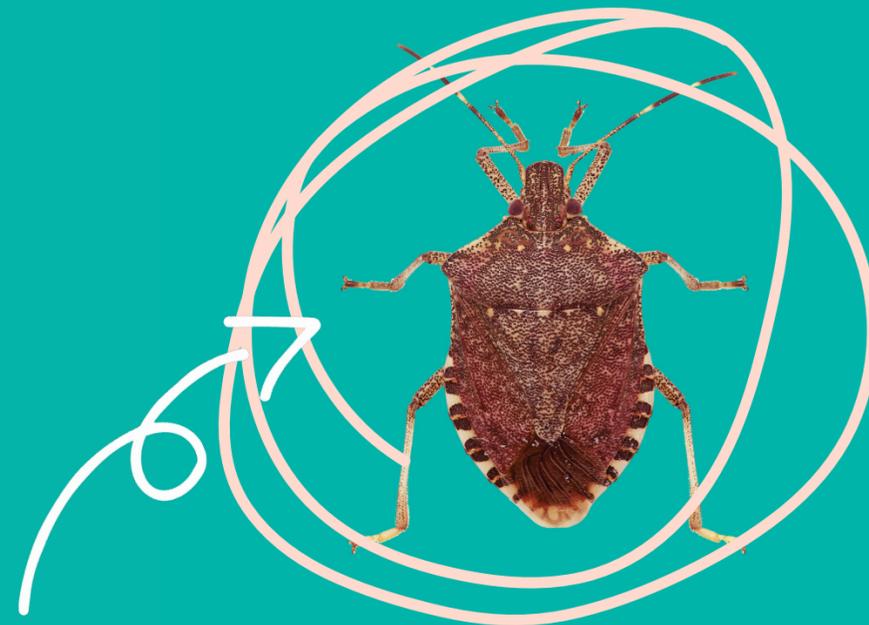
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The distinctive characteristics of the BMSB (on the left) are the double white bands on the antennae, and the marmorated pattern (cream and brown zig zag) on the abdomen.



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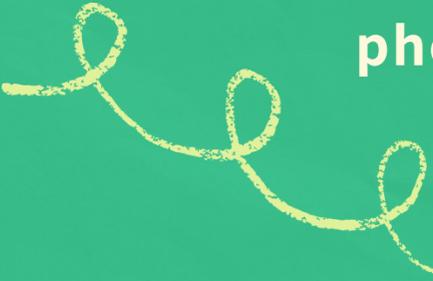
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Look out for anything that you don't recognise and think looks unusual. Catch it (in an old container or jar if you have one handy), take a photo of it, and report it to the Biosecurity New Zealand hotline on 0800 80 99 66 or KVH on 0800 665 825.

If you prefer, you can also use the free Find-A-Pest app to make a report from your phone.





Thank you for playing
**DID YOU GET
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RIGHT?**

