

**Insect pests of leaves and shoots**  
**Sharpnosed leafhopper**

This insect is a vector of blueberry stunt disease. Adults are small and brown, about 5 mm long, with a pointed head and cream-colored flecks on the body and wings.

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Adults have a distinctive anvil-shaped head.  5 mm

The wingless nymphs are yellow-white with red to brown coloration that develops an hourglass pattern. This species overwinters as an egg inside fallen leaves, and eggs hatch as leaf buds open in the spring. There are typically two generations per year with adults in mid and late summer. The timing of these generations can be monitored with yellow sticky traps. Second-generation adults deposit the overwintering eggs.