

Getting the best out of Anastatus wasps

Fruit spotting bugs have many hosts in the environment - native and exotic species



Lychee



Mulberry



Custard apple



Guava



Pittosporum



Green beans



Murraya



Tropical cherries



Mango



Citrus

They fly into crops when the crop becomes attractive or if their food outside the crop deteriorates.



Place the Anastatus release cards along boundaries where you suspect bugs are entering your crop.



In wet areas, cards can be hung in plastic containers



Note the wasp escape holes

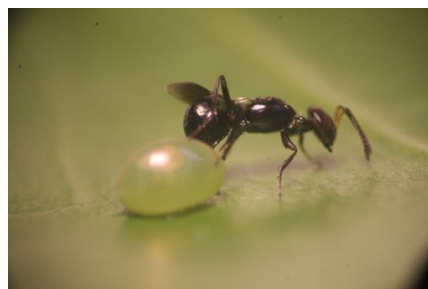


The wasps will move off and can live for over a month

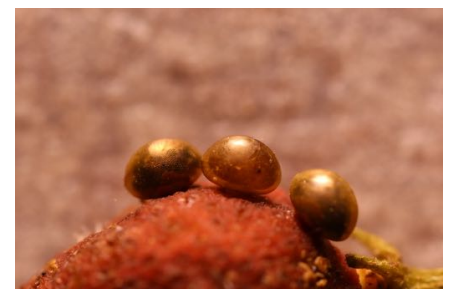
Anastatus will disperse from the cards in search of fruitspotting bugs and then their eggs



Anastatus search through foliage looking for bug eggs



Anastatus females lay their eggs into FSB eggs



FSB eggs parasitised by Anastatus

Wasps come out of parasitised eggs instead of bugs!