

# TIP TOP BIO-CONTROL

Insectary and Wholesale Distributor

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## Dealer Information

### Ladybugs

- Ladybugs may be refrigerated down to 35°F and will hibernate at 35°F – 40°F.
- Always keep Ladybugs **out of direct sunlight** and as cool as possible.
- Water Ladybugs once a day (unless refrigerated) along with your plants. Two or three shots of a fine mist of room temperature water are about right. Moisten the wood shavings just enough so as not to allow puddles of water to form at the bottom of the boxes.

### What to tell your customers:

- Water their garden before releasing the bugs.
- Release the Ladybugs **after sundown** since ladybugs do not fly at night. If released during the day they will immediately fly away.
- Shake them out of the box in groups at the base of the plants that have aphids. Ladybugs always crawl up.

### Praying Mantids

- Keep the boxes of egg cases **out of direct sunlight**.
- Praying Mantids will hatch about 3 to 4 weeks from the time you receive them, possibly sooner if it is warm.

### What to tell your customers:

- Place the egg cases near plants that have pest problems.
- Hang the egg cases according to the directions if there are birds or squirrels in the garden.

## Other Tip Top Bio-Control Products Available:

Aphytis Melinus	Encarsia Formosa	Predatory Snails
Avocado Mite Exterminator	Flea Destroyer	Red Worms
Beneficial Nematodes	Fly Parasites	Root Knot Control
Caterpillar Control	Fungus/Gnat Control	Scale Exterminator
Cryptolaemus	Green Lacewings	Spider Mite Destroyer
Delphastus Pusillus	Mealybug Destroyer	Trichogramma
Earth Worms	Predatory Mites	Whitefly Eliminator