Are you smarter than a plant pathologist? Beat the geeks! Name that pest!





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Photos: UK Guardian; NY Daily News

What's killing these trees?





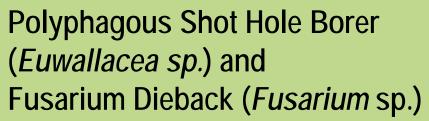












- Los Angeles and Orange Counties
- Hosts: Coast live oak, box elder, avocado,big leaf maple, California sycamore and others



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What tree species are susceptible to this pest?
Approximately where are the trees located?







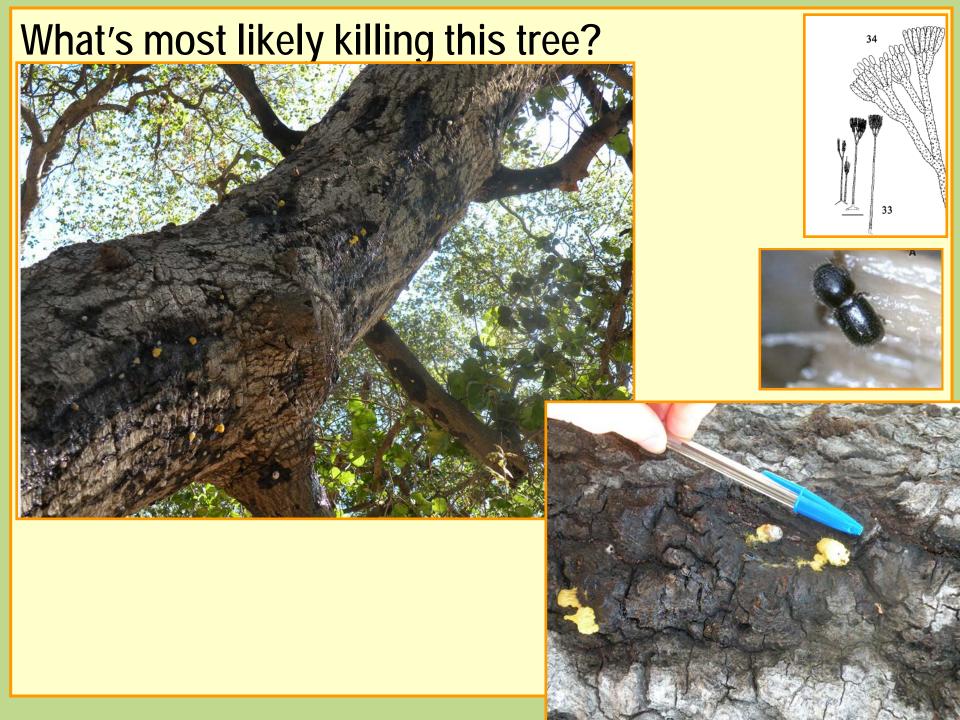
Gold spotted oak borer, Agrilus auroguttatus

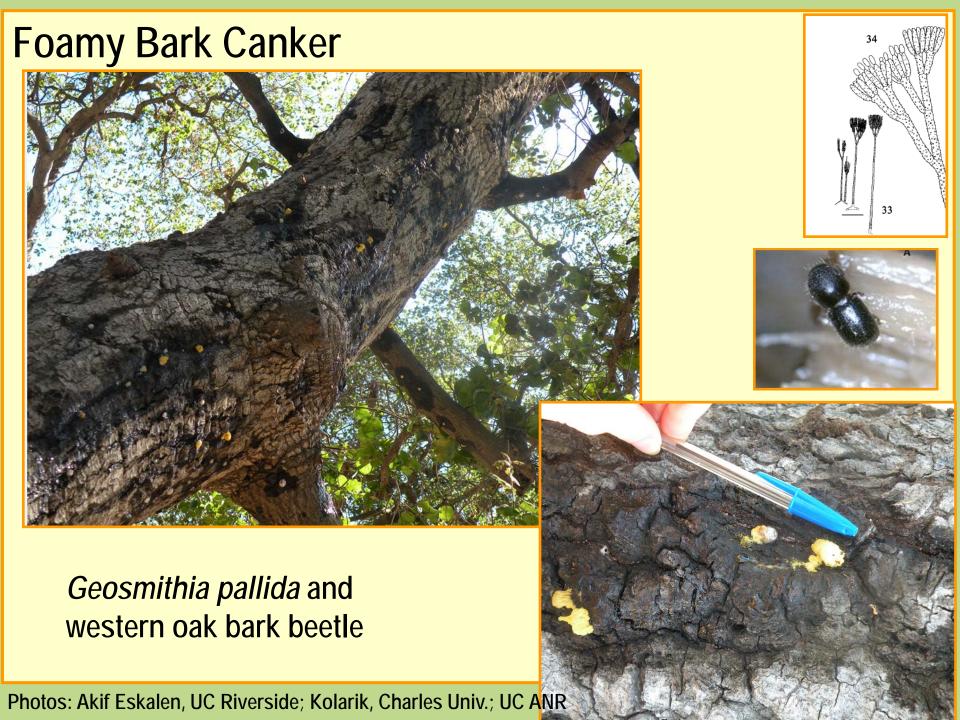






Coast live oak in San Diego Co. and CA black oak in Riverside Co.







What caused the deformity on these acorns?

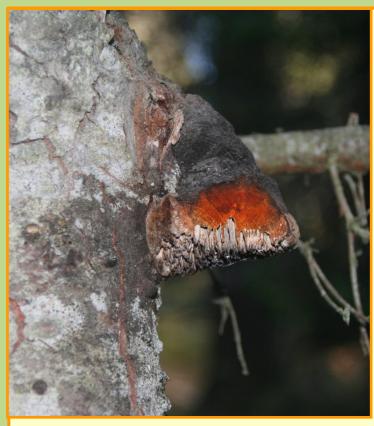






The presence of these fungi indicates the tree may be _____?









Pleurotus, Oyster fungus

Pycnoporellus alboluteus

Echinodontium tinctorium, Indian paint fungus

The presence of these fungi indicates the tree may be decayed & hazardous.



Ganoderma applanatum, Artist's Conk

What type of trees does this pest kill?



Actual size is 1.5 inches

Palms.

- 1.Red Palm Weevil, Rhynchophorus ferrugineus
- 2. South American Palm Weevil, Rhynchophorus palmarum





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Credit: UC Riverside; Center for Invasive species Research

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Redbay ambrosia beetle, *Xyleborus glabratus*

Raffaelea lauricola – a fungus







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