Family: Largidae Largus (largid cinctus)

Nymphs progress through five instars, an instar being the interval between molts. Approximately 100 days are spent in the nymphal stages. Adults, which are flightless, live from two to seven months.



1st instar nymph – metallic blue, no red spot on back

No photo – the nymph molts (loses skin) and is completely red; slowly, over a couple hours, it changes from red to blackish (retaining a red spot on its back)

3rd instar – Red spot on back



Adult - Bordered plant bug

Management is similar to box elder bug – see

- Yavapai County Bulletin #9
- http://www.ipm.ucdavis.edu/PMG/PESTNOTES/pn74114.html