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Abstract

Background

In this contribution we present detailed distribution and abundance data for arthropod species identified during the BALA – Biodiversity of Arthropods from the Laurisilva of the Azores (1999-2004) and BALA2 projects (2010-2011) from 18 native forest fragments in seven of the nine Azorean islands (all excluding Graciosa and Corvo islands, which have no native forest left).

New information

Of the total 286 species identified, 81% were captured between 1999 and 2000, a period during which only 39% of all the samples were collected. On average, arthropod richness for each island increased by 10% during the time frame of these projects. The classes Arachnida, Chilopoda and Diplopoda represent the most remarkable cases of new island records, with more than 30% of the records being novelties. This study stresses the need to expand the approaches applied in these projects to other habitats in the Azores, and more importantly to other less surveyed taxonomic groups (e.g. Diptera and Hymenoptera). These steps are fundamental for getting a more accurate assessment of biodiversity in the archipelago.

Keywords

Azores; terrestrial arthropods; BALA project; laurissilva forest; Linnean, Wallacean and Prestonian shortfalls.
Introduction

In 1999 a group of researchers from the University of the Azores and the University of Lisbon started a long-term (1999-2004) standardized sampling program to inventory the arthropod biodiversity in native forest remnants of the Azores - the BALA I project – Biodiversity of Arthropods from the Laurisilva of the Azores (Borges et al. 2000, Borges et al. 2005a, Borges et al. 2011, Ribeiro et al. 2005, Gaspar et al. 2008). More recently, this project was extended by researchers from the Universities of the Azores, Athens and Oxford, by surveying part of the same native forest plots almost 10 years later - BALA II project (2010-2011).

Eight years of standardized survey of the native forest in seven of the nine Azorean islands resulted in a major improvement on the knowledge of the Azorean arthropod fauna, in particular concerning Araneae, Opiliones, Pseudoscorpionida, Diplopoda, Chilopoda and Insecta (excluding Collembola, Diptera and Hymenoptera). As a consequence, several new endemic taxa were described for the archipelago (e.g. Blas and Borges 1999, Ribes and Borges 2001, Platia and Borges 2002, Quartau and Borges 2003, Borges et al. 2004, Borges and Wunderlich 2008, Crespo et al. 2013, Crespo et al. 2014) or are in the process of being described (Borges et al. 2016 in press). In fact, after examining the shape and characteristics of discovery curves, Lobo and Borges (2010) clearly show that it is very likely that many new species of arthropods remain to be discovered in the Azores particularly for less studied groups in this archipelago such as Diptera and Hymenoptera. Besides purely faunistic results, the BALA data was also used to evaluate abundance, spatial variance and occupancy of arthropods (Gaston et al. 2006, Rigal et al. 2013), the effects of disturbance and biotic integrity of the native forests on arthropod assemblages (Cardoso et al. 2007, Cardoso et al. 2013, Gaspar et al. 2011, Florencio et al. 2013, Florencio et al. 2015), the extinction debt of Azorean forest specialist species (Triantis et al. 2010) and the performance of species richness estimators (Hortal et al. 2006). Moreover, such data allowed the ranking of conservation priorities for the fauna and flora of the Azores (e.g. Borges et al. 2005a, Martín et al. 2010) and allowed the estimation of extinction debt in Azores (Terzopoulou et al. 2015, Triantis et al. 2010).

During this period, two complete checklists of Azorean arthropod fauna were produced (Borges et al. 2005b, Borges et al. 2010), which included the distribution of each species per island. In this paper we compile and synthesize the faunistic results of both BALA projects, highlighting novel distribution records and presenting not only detailed distribution but also abundance data for each species, adding taxonomical and biogeographical information whenever possible. Finally, we provide a general and updated overview on the diversity of the Azorean arthropods.
Materials and methods

Area of study: The Azores

The remote Azores archipelago extends for 615 km in the North Atlantic Ocean (37-40 °N, 25-31 °W), 1584 km to the east (southern Europe) and 2150 km to the west (northern America) of the nearest mainland. It comprises nine main islands and some small islets, all of volcanic origin, and is located at the triple junction of the Eurasian, African and American tectonic plates. The nine islands are divided into three groups: the western group (Corvo and Flores isls.), the central group (Faial, Pico, Graciosa, São Jorge and Terceira isls.), and the eastern group (São Miguel and Santa Maria isls) (Fig. 1). The climate is temperate and oceanic, strongly influenced by the ocean and island topography, which together produce high relative atmospheric humidity, above 95% on average on native forests.

Sampling protocol

Eighteen native forest fragments distributed across seven of the nine islands were sampled (Table 1; see also Gaspar et al. 2008). Graciosa and Corvo islands were excluded as they no longer present native forest. Human settlement in the Azores lead to considerable native forest destruction which has left the entire archipelago with little over 2% of the original forest cover. During the summer (June to September) 150 m long and 5 m wide transects were set up in 100 sites from 1999 to 2004 (BALA I: 18 native forest fragments)
and some were sampled twice in that period totalling 123 samples; about 29 of those sites were resampled from 2010 to 2011 using the same protocol (BALA II project; 15 native forest fragments). Along each transect, arthropods from the soil (mainly epigean) and herbaceous vegetation were surveyed with pitfall traps, while arthropods from woody plants were sampled using a beating tray. Pitfall traps consisted of plastic cups with 4.2 cm diameter and 7.8 cm height. Thirty pitfall traps were set up per transect. Half of the traps were filled with a non-attractive ethylene glycol preservative solution (antifreeze solution), and the remaining with a general attractive solution, a modified version of Turquin (Turquin 1973) prepared mainly with dark beer and preservative agents. A few drops of dishwashing liquid were added to both solutions to reduce surface tension. Traps were sunk in the soil (cup rim at surface level) every 5 m along the transects, those filled with Turquin alternating with traps containing antifreeze solution. Traps were protected from rain using a plastic plate, placed about 5 cm above surface level and fixed to the ground by two pieces of wire. Accidental collection of small vertebrates and damage by rodents was prevented using a piece of plastic mesh placed on top of the trap and fixed to the ground by pieces of wire. The traps remained active in the field for two weeks.

Table 1.
Main characteristics of the Azorean islands (bold) and native forest fragments sampled from 1999 to 2011, including area (hectares), highest point (altitude in metres), distance to the nearest island/fragment (isolation in kilometres) and the oldest geological age of emerged substrate (million years BP) (adapted from Gaspar et al. 2008).

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Canopy sampling was conducted during the trapping period, when the vegetation was dry. A 5 m wide square was established every 15 m (total of 10 squares per transect). Two woody plant specimens of the most abundant species (up to three species when available) were sampled in each square. For each selected plant, a branch was chosen at random and a beating tray placed beneath. The tray consisted of a 1 m wide and 60 cm deep cloth inverted pyramid, with a plastic bag at the vertex. Five beatings were made using a stick for each plant individual sampled.

The arthropod taxa considered in this study were selected based on the availability of expert taxonomists and ability to readily separate them by morphological criteria. All Araneae, Opiliones, Pseudoscorpionida, Diplopoda, Chilopoda and Insecta (excluding Collembola, Diptera and Hymenoptera) were assigned to morphospecies through comparison with a reference collection. Various taxonomists (PAVB, ARMS, LC, PC, HE, FI, VM, MTP, JR, AB, ABS, RzS, VV, JW, JAQ, and see also Acknowledgments) checked the assignment to morphospecies, performed species identifications and supplied additional ecological information. The taxonomic nomenclature follows the most recent list of Azorean arthropods (Borges et al. 2010).

All specimens are deposited in the Entomological Collection Dalberto Teixeira Pombo at the University of the Azores (Portugal), under the curation of Paulo A. V. Borges (pborges@uac.pt).

In this contribution we list the 286 species for which we obtained an identification. The new records for each island are marked with *. For this list two families of Coleoptera were not considered since they will be presented elsewhere, Staphylinidae (Borges et al. in prep.) and Zopheridae (Borges et al. 2016). For detailed maps on the distribution of these species in Azores consult the Azores Bioportal.

All specimens were assigned a SITE CODE composed of several letters and numbers that read as follows (see Suppl. material 1 for complete data). Detailed metadata is given in Suppl. material 2):

i) the first three letters refer to island name (FLO – Flores; FAI – Faial; PIC – Pico; SJG – São Jorge; GRA – Graciosa; TER – Terceira; SMG – São Miguel; SMR – Santa Maria);

ii) the following two letters refer to fragment name (Flores: FR - Caldeiras Funda e Rasa, MA - Morro Alto e Pico da Sé; Faial: CF – Caldeira do Faial, CG – Cabeço do Fogo; Pico: CA – Caveiro, LC – Lagoa do Caliado, MP – Mistério da Prainha; São Jorge: PP – Pico...
iii) the following three characters refer to the sampling transect; and

iv) the next letter refers to the sampling technique: P - pitfall, B - canopy beating; for pitfall samples (P) TU - Turquin and ET - ethylene glycol; for canopy samples (B) the next two letters refer to the plant sampled: CA = Calluna vulgaris, CL = Clethra arborea, ER = Erica azorica, FR = Frangula azorica, IL = Ilex perado azorica, JU = Juniperus brevifolia, LA = Laurus azorica, MC = Morella faya, MS = Myrsine africana, PI = Picconia azorica, PT = Pittosporum undulatum, VA = Vaccinium cylindraceum.

For the geographical location of transects within reserves (UTM coordinates) see Suppl. material 3.

Accumulation curves were obtained using the software “Species Diversity and Richness” V.4.

**Checklist of the Studied Azorean Arthropods**

**Kingdom Animalia**

**Phylum Arthropoda**

**Class Arachnida**

**Order Pseudoscorpiones**

**Family Chthoniidae**

*Chthonius ischnocheles* (Hermann, 1804)


**Native status:** Introduced

**Distribution:** COR; FLO*; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG*; TER; SMG; SMR

**Notes:** Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic)
**Chthonius tetrachelatus** (Preyssler, 1790)


  **Native status:** Introduced  
  **Distribution:** COR; FLO*; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR  
  **Notes:** Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic)

**Family Neobisiidae**

**Neobisium maroccanum** Beier, 1930


  **Native status:** Introduced  
  **Distribution:** FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG*; TER*  
  **Notes:** Biogeographical Realm: Palearctic

**Order Opiliones**

**Family Phalangiidae**

**Homalenotus coriaceus** (Simon, 1879)


  **Native status:** Native  
  **Distribution:** FLO*; FAI*; PIC*; TER*; SMG; SMR*  
  **Notes:** Biogeographical Realm: Palearctic

**Leiobunum blackwalli** Meade, 1861


  **Native status:** Native  
  **Distribution:** FLO*; FAI*; PIC*; GRA; SJG*; TER*; SMG*  
  **Notes:** Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic
Order Araneae

Family Araneidae

**Gibbaranea occidentalis** Wunderlich, 1989


  **Native status:** Azores endemic

  **Distribution:** FLO; FAI; PIC*; GRA; SJG*; TER*; SMG; SMR

  **Notes:** Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

**Mangora acalypha** (Walckenaer, 1802)


  **Native status:** Introduced

  **Distribution:** FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG*; TER; SMG; SMR

  **Notes:** Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic)

Family Clubionidae

**Cheiracanthium erraticum** (Walckenaer, 1802)


  **Native status:** Introduced

  **Distribution:** FLO; FAI*; PIC*; GRA; SJG*; TER; SMG; SMR*

  **Notes:** Biogeographical Realm: Palearctic

**Cheiracanthium floresense** Wunderlich, 2008


  **Native status:** Azores endemic

  **Distribution:** FLO*

  **Notes:** Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)
**Cheiracanthium jorgeense** Wunderlich, 2008


  **Native status:** Azores endemic

  **Distribution:** SJG*

  **Notes:** Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

**Clubiona decora** Blackwall, 1859


  **Native status:** Native

  **Distribution:** COR; FLO*; FAI*; PIC*; GRA; SJG*; TER; SMG*; SMR*

  **Notes:** Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic)

**Clubiona genevensis** L. Koch, 1866


  **Native status:** Introduced

  **Distribution:** FAI; PIC*; GRA; TER; SMG; SMR

  **Notes:** Biogeographical Realm: Palearctic

**Clubiona terrestris** Westring, 1851


  **Native status:** Introduced

  **Distribution:** FLO*; FAI*; PIC*; GRA; TER*; SMG; SMR*

  **Notes:** Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic

**Family Dictynidae**

**Altella lucida** (Simon, 1874)


  **Native status:** Introduced

  **Distribution:** SJG*; TER
Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic

Emblyna acoreensis Wunderlich, 1992


Native status: Azores endemic

Distribution: COR; FLO; FAI; PIC*; GRA; SJG; TER

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

Lathys dentichelis (Simon, 1883)


Native status: Native

Distribution: COR; FLO*; FAI*; PIC; SJG*; TER; SMG; SMR

Notes: Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia))

Nigma puella (Simon, 1870)


Native status: Introduced

Distribution: COR; FLO; FAI; PIC*; GRA; SJG*; TER; SMG; SMR

Notes: Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia))

Family Dysderidae

Dysdera crocata C. L. Koch, 1838


Native status: Introduced

Distribution: COR; FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG*; TER; SMG; SMR

Notes: Also present: MAD (Biogeographical Realm: Cosmopolitan)
Family Linyphiidae

**Acorigone acoreensis** (Wunderlich, 1992)


**Native status:** Azores endemic

**Distribution:** FLO*; FAI*; PIC*; SJG*; TER; SMG*; SMR*

**Notes:** Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

**Acorigone zebraneus** Wunderlich, 2008


**Native status:** Azores endemic

**Distribution:** SJG*

**Notes:** Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

**Agyneta decora** (O. P.-Cambridge, 1871)


**Native status:** Introduced

**Distribution:** FLO*; SJG*; TER

**Notes:** Biogeographical Realm: Palearctic

**Agyneta depigmentata** Wunderlich, 2008


**Native status:** Azores endemic

**Distribution:** FLO*

**Notes:** Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

**Agyneta rugosa** Wunderlich, 1992


**Native status:** Azores endemic

**Distribution:** FAI*; SJG; SMG
Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

**Canariphantes acoreensis** (Wunderlich, 1992)


Native status: Azores endemic

Distribution: FAI; PIC; SJG*; TER

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

**Canariphantes junipericola** Crespo & Bosmans, 2014


Native status: Azores endemic

Distribution: FLO*

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

**Canariphantes relictus** Crespo & Bosmans, 2014


Native status: Azores endemic

Distribution: SMR*

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

**Erigone atra** Blackwall, 1833


Native status: Introduced

Distribution: COR; FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG*; TER; SMG; SMR

Notes: Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Holarctic)

**Erigone autumnalis** Emerton, 1882


Native status: Introduced

Distribution: FLO*; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG*; TER; SMG; SMR
Notes: Also present: CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Nearctic)

**Erigone dentipalpis (Wider, 1834)**

Native status: Introduced

Distribution: FLO*; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

Notes: Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Holarctic)

**Lessertia dentichelis (Simon, 1884)**

Native status: Introduced

Distribution: SMG*

Notes: Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic)

**Meioneta fuscipalpa (C. L. Koch, 1836)**

Native status: Introduced

Distribution: COR; FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

Notes: Also present: MAD (Biogeographical Realm: Palearctic)

**Mermessus bryantae (Ivie & Barrows, 1935)**

Native status: Introduced

Distribution: FAI; PIC*; GRA; SJG*; TER; SMG

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Nearctic

**Mermessus fradeorum (Berland, 1932)**

Native status: Introduced

Distribution: FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; TER; SMG; SMR
Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Cosmopolitan

**Mermessus trilobatus** (Emerton, 1882)

Native status: Introduced

Distribution: SJG*; TER*; SMG*

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Holarctic

**Microlinyphia johnsoni** (Blackwall, 1859)

Native status: Introduced

Distribution: FAI; PIC; SJG; TER; SMG

Notes: Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia))

**Minicia floresensis** Wunderlich, 1992

Native status: Azores endemic

Distribution: FLO; PIC; SJG*; TER*; SMG*

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

**Neriene clathrata** (Sundevall, 1830)

Native status: Introduced

Distribution: FAI; SJG; TER*; SMG

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Holarctic

**Oedothorax fuscus** (Blackwall, 1834)

Native status: Introduced

Distribution: COR; FLO*; FAI*; PIC; GRA; SJG*; TER; SMG*; SMR
Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic; Mediterranean

**Palliduphantes schmitzi** (Kulczynski, 1899)


Native status: Native

Distribution: COR; FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG*; TER; SMG; SMR*

Notes: Also present: MAD (Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia))

**Pelecopsis parallela** (Wider, 1834)


Native status: Introduced

Distribution: FAI*; PIC; SJG; TER; SMG

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Palearctic

**Porrhomma borgesi** Wunderlich, 2008


Native status: Azores endemic

Distribution: PIC*; TER*; SMG*

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

**Prinerigone vagans** (Audouin, 1826)


Native status: Introduced

Distribution: FLO; PIC; GRA; TER; SMG; SMR

Notes: Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Palearctic)

**Savigniorrhapis acoreensis** Wunderlich, 1992


Native status: Azores endemic

Distribution: FLO*; FAI; PIC; SJG*; TER; SMG; SMR
Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

*Savigniorrhipis toplographicus* Crespo, 2013


Native status: Azores endemic

Distribution: SJG*

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

*Tenuiphantes miguelensis* (Wunderlich, 1992)


Native status: Native

Distribution: FLO*; FAI*; PIC*; GRA; SJG*; TER; SMG; SMR*

Notes: Also present: MAD (Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia))

*Tenuiphantes tenuis* (Blackwall, 1852)


Native status: Introduced

Distribution: COR; FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

Notes: Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic; Mediterranean)

*Walckenaeria grandis* (Wunderlich, 1992)


Native status: Azores endemic

Distribution: FLO*; PIC*; SJG*; TER; SMG

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

Family Lycosidae

*Pardosa acorensis* Simon, 1883

Native status: Azores endemic

Distribution: COR; FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG*; TER; SMG; SMR

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

Family Mimetidae

Ero furcata (Villers, 1789)

Native status: Introduced

Distribution: COR; FLO*; FAI*; PIC; GRA; SJG*; TER; SMG*; SMR

Notes: Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Palearctic)

Family Oecobiidae

Oecobius navus Blackwall, 1859

Native status: Introduced

Distribution: FAI; PIC; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

Notes: Also present: MAD; CAN; CVP (Biogeographical Realm: Cosmopolitan)

Family Oonopidae

Orchestina furcillata Wunderlich, 2008

Native status: Azores endemic

Distribution: SMG*

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

Family Pisauridae

Pisaura acoreensis Wunderlich, 1992

Native status: Introduced

Distribution: COR; FLO*; FAI*; PIC; GRA; SJG*; TER; SMG*; SMR

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)
Native status: Azores endemic

**Distribution:** FLO; FAI; PIC*; GRA; SJG*; TER; SMG; SMR

**Notes:** Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

**Family Salticidae**

*Macaroeris cata* (Blackwall, 1867)


Native status: Native

**Distribution:** COR; FLO; FAI; PIC*; GRA; SJG*; TER; SMG; SMR

**Notes:** Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia); Romania)

*Macaroeris diligens* (Blackwall, 1867)


Native status: Native

**Distribution:** COR; FAI; TER; SMG; SMR*

**Notes:** Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia))

*Neon acoreensis* Wunderlich, 2008


Native status: Azores endemic

**Distribution:** FLO; FAI; PIC*; SJG*; TER; SMG; SMR

**Notes:** Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

*Pseudeuophrys vafra* (Blackwall, 1867)


Native status: Introduced

**Distribution:** COR; FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

**Notes:** Also present: MAD (Biogeographical Realm: Palearctic)
Family Tetragnathidae

**Metellina merianae** (Scopoli, 1763)


  **Native status:** Introduced

  **Distribution:** FLO*; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

  **Notes:** Also present: MAD (Biogeographical Realm: Palearctic)

**Sancus acoreensis** (Wunderlich, 1992)


  **Native status:** Azores endemic

  **Distribution:** FLO; FAI; PIC; SJG*; TER; SMG; SMR

  **Notes:** Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

Family Theridiidae

**Cryptachaea blattea** (Urquhart, 1886)


  **Native status:** Introduced

  **Distribution:** COR; FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; TER; SMG; SMR

  **Notes:** Also present: CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Nearctic)

**Lasaeola oceanica** Simon, 1883


  **Native status:** Azores endemic

  **Distribution:** COR; FLO; FAI*; PIC*; SJG*; TER; SMG; SMR

  **Notes:** Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

**Neottiura bimaculata** (Linnaeus, 1767)


  **Native status:** Introduced
Rhomphaea nasica (Simon, 1873)


Native status: Introduced

Distribution: FLO; PIC; GRA; TER; SMG

Notes: Also present: MAD (Biogeographical Realm: Palearctic)

Rugathodes acoreensis Wunderlich, 1992


Native status: Azores endemic

Distribution: FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG*; TER; SMG; SMR

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

Steatoda grossa (C. L. Koch, 1838)


Native status: Introduced

Distribution: COR; FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

Notes: Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Cosmopolitan)

Theridion melanurum Hahn, 1831


Native status: Introduced

Distribution: PIC*; SMG*; SMR*

Notes: Also present: MAD (Biogeographical Realm: Holarctic)

Theridion musivivum Schmidt, 1956


Native status: Native
Distribution: COR; FLO; FAI*; PIC; GRA; TER; SMG; SMR

Notes: Also present: MAD; CAN; CVP (Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia))

Family Thomisidae

Xysticus cor Canestrini, 1873


Native status: Native

Distribution: COR; FLO; FAI*; PIC; GRA; SJG*; TER; SMG; SMR*

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Palearctic

Xysticus nubilus Simon, 1875


Native status: Introduced

Distribution: FLO*; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG*; TER; SMG; SMR

Notes: Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Palearctic)

Family Zodariidae

Zodarion atlanticum Pekár & Cardoso, 2006


Native status: Introduced

Distribution: FAI; PIC; GRA; TER*; SMG

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Palearctic
Class Diplopoda

Order Polydesmida

Family Paradoxosomatidae

Oxidus gracilis (C. L. Koch, 1847)


Native status: Introduced

Distribution: COR; FLO*; FAI*; PIC; GRA; TER*; SMG; SMR*

Notes: Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Afro-tropical; Australian; Eastern Palearctic; Nearctic; Neotropical; Oriental)

Family Polydesmidae

Brachydesmus superus Latzel, 1884


Native status: Introduced

Distribution: FLO*; FAI; PIC; SJG; TER*; SMG; SMR

Notes: Also present: MAD; CAN; CVP (Biogeographical Realm: Australian; Eastern Palearctic; Nearctic; North Africa)

Polydesmus coriaceus Porat, 1871


Native status: Introduced

Distribution: COR; FLO*; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG*; TER; SMG; SMR

Notes: Also present: CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic)

Order Julida

Family Blaniulidae

Blaniulus guttulatus (Fabricius, 1798)

Native status: Introduced

Distribution: COR; FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR*

Notes: Also present: MAD (Biogeographical Realm: Australian; Eastern Palearctic; Nearctic)

**Choneiulus palmatus (Nemec, 1895)**


Native status: Introduced

Distribution: FLO*; PIC*; GRA; SJG*; TER; SMG; SMR*

Notes: Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Nearctic)

**Nopoiulus kochii (Gervais, 1847)**


Native status: Introduced

Distribution: FLO*; GRA; SMG; SMR*

Notes: Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Australian; Near East; Nearctic; Neotropical)

**Proteroiulus fuscus (Am Stein, 1857)**


Native status: Introduced

Distribution: FLO*; FAI; TER*; SMG; SMR*

Notes: Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Nearctic)

Family Julidae

**Brachyiulus pusillus (Leach, 1814)**


Native status: Introduced

Distribution: FLO; FAI; GRA; TER; SMG; SMR

Notes: Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Afro-tropical; Australian; Nearctic)
Cylindroiulus latestriatus (Curtis, 1845)

Native status: Introduced

Distribution: COR; FLO*; FAI; SMG; SMR

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Afro-tropical; Australian; Nearctic; Oriental

Cylindroiulus propinquus (Porat, 1870)

Native status: Introduced

Distribution: COR; FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG*; TER; SMG; SMR

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Palearctic

Ommatoiulus moreletii (Lucas, 1860)

Native status: Introduced

Distribution: COR; FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

Notes: Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Afro-tropical; Australian)

Order Chordeumatida

Family Haplobainosomatidae

Haplobainosoma lusitanum Verhoeff, 1900

Native status: Introduced

Distribution: FAI*; PIC; TER*; SMG*; SMR*

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Palearctic
Class Chilopoda

Order Lithobiomorpha

Family Lithobiidae

*Lithobius pilicornis subsp. pilicornis* Newport, 1844


**Native status:** Native

**Distribution:** COR; FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

**Notes:** Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Afro-tropical)

Order Scolopendromorpha

Family Cryptopidae

*Cryptops hortensis* (Donovan, 1810)


**Native status:** Native

**Distribution:** COR; FLO; FAI*; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER*; SMG

**Notes:** Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic)

Order Geophilomorpha

Family Geophilidae

*Geophilus truncorum* Bergsoe & Meinert, 1866


**Native status:** Native

**Distribution:** FLO; FAI; PIC*; GRA; SJG*; TER*; SMG*; SMR

**Notes:** Also present: MAD (Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic)
Family Linotaeniidae

*Strigamia crassipes* (C. L. Koch, 1835)


Native status: Native

Distribution: FLO*; TER*; SMG*

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic

Class Insecta

Order Microcoryphia

Family Machilidae

*Dilta saxicola* (Womersley, 1930)


Native status: Native

Distribution: COR; FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Easternern Palearctic

*Trigoniophthalmus borgesi* Mendes, Gaju, Bach & Molero, 2000


Native status: Azores endemic

Distribution: FAI*; PIC*; SJG*; TER; SMG*; SMR

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

Order Ephemeroptera

Family Baetidae

*Cloeon dipterum* Linnaeus, 1761


Native status: Native
Distribution: FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

Notes: Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Holarctic)

Order Blattaria

Family Polyphagidae

Zetha vestita (Brullé, 1838)


Native status: Native

Distribution: FLO*; FAI; PIC*; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR*

Notes: Also present: MAD; CAN; CVP (Biogeographical Realm: Palearctic)

Order Orthoptera

Family Conocephalidae

Conocephalus chavesi (Bolivar, 1905)


Native status: Azores endemic

Distribution: PIC; TER; SMG

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

Family Gryllidae

Gryllus bimaculatus De Geer, 1773


Native status: Introduced

Distribution: COR; FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

Notes: Also present: MAD; CAN; CVP (Biogeographical Realm: Afro-tropical; Eastern Palearctic; Near East; North Africa; Oriental)
Order Dermaptera

Family Anisolabididae

*Euborellia annulipes* (Lucas, 1847)


  **Native status:** Introduced
  
  **Distribution:** COR; FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR
  
  **Notes:** Also present: MAD; CAN; CVP (Biogeographical Realm: Cosmopolitan)

Family Forficulidae

*Forficula auricularia* Linnaeus, 1758


  **Native status:** Introduced
  
  **Distribution:** COR; FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR
  
  **Notes:** Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Holarctic)

Order Psocoptera

Family Caeciliusidae

*Valenzuela burmeisteri* (Brauer, 1876)


  **Native status:** Native
  
  **Distribution:** FLO*; FAI*; SJG*; TER*; SMG*; SMR*
  
  **Notes:** Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Holarctic)

*Valenzuela flavidus* (Stephens, 1836)


  **Native status:** Native
  
  **Distribution:** COR; FLO; FAI*; PIC*; GRA; SJG*; TER; SMG; SMR
Family Ectopsocidae

Ectopsocus briggsi McLachlan, 1899


Native status: Introduced

Distribution: COR; FLO; FAI*; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

Notes: Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Holarctic)

Ectopsocus pumilis (Banks, 1920)


Native status: Introduced

Distribution: SMG; SMR*

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Cosmopolitan

Ectopsocus strauchi Enderlein, 1906


Native status: Native

Distribution: COR; FLO; FAI*; PIC*; GRA; TER; SMG; SMR

Notes: Also present: MAD; CAN; CVP (Biogeographical Realm: Palearctic)

Family Elipsocidae

Elipsocus azoricus Meinander, 1975


Native status: Azores endemic

Distribution: COR; FLO*; FAI*; PIC*; GRA; SJG*; TER*; SMG; SMR

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

Elipsocus brincki Badonnel, 1963

Native status: Azores endemic

Distribution: COR; FLO*; FAI*; PIC*; GRA; SJG; TER*; SMG; SMR*

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

Family Epipsocidae

**Bertkauia lucifuga** (Rambur, 1842)


Native status: Native

Distribution: FAI*; TER; SMG

Notes: Also present: MAD (Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic)

Family Lachesillidae

**Lachesilla greeni** (Pearman, 1933)


Native status: Introduced

Distribution: TER*; SMG; SMR*

Notes: Also present: MAD (Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic)

Family Peripsocidae

**Peripsocus milleri** (Tillyard, 1923)


Native status: Native

Distribution: FAI*; SJG*; TER*; SMG

Notes: Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Cosmopolitan)

**Peripsocus phaeopterus** (Stephens, 1836)


Native status: Native

Distribution: PIC*; SJG*; TER*; SMG; SMR
Notes: Also present: CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Palearctic)

**Peripsocus subfasciatus** (Rambur, 1842)


Native status: Native

Distribution: FAI*; TER*; SMG; SMR

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Holarctic

Family Psocidae

**Atlantopsocus adustus** (Hagen, 1865)


Native status: Native

Distribution: FLO*; FAI*; PIC*; GRA; TER; SMG; SMR

Notes: Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia))

Family Trichopsocidae

**Trichopsocus clarus** (Banks, 1908)


Native status: Native

Distribution: COR; FLO; FAI*; PIC*; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

Notes: Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Cosmopolitan)

Family Trogiidae

**Lepinotus reticulatus** Enderlein, 1905


Native status: Introduced

Distribution: TER*

Notes: Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Cosmopolitan)
Order Hemiptera

Family Anthocoridae

*Brachysteles parvicornis* (A. Costa, 1847)


  **Native status:** Native

  **Distribution:** PIC*; GRA; TER*; SMG*; SMR

  **Notes:** Also present: CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Holactic; Afro-tropical; Northern Asia (except China))

*Buchananiella continua* (White, 1880)


  **Native status:** Introduced

  **Distribution:** FLO; FAI; PIC; SJG*; TER; SMG; SMR*

  **Notes:** Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Afro-tropical; Australian; Neotropical)

*Orius laevigatus* subsp. *laevigatus* (Fieber, 1860)


  **Native status:** Native

  **Distribution:** FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

  **Notes:** Also present: CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Oriental)

Family Aphididae

*Acyrthosiphon pisum* (Harris, 1776)


  **Native status:** Native

  **Distribution:** FLO*; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

  **Notes:** Also present: MAD (Biogeographical Realm: Cosmopolitan)
**Amphorophora rubi** (Kaltenbach, 1843)


**Native status:** Native

**Distribution:** FLO*; GRA; TER

**Notes:** Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Australian; Eastern Palearctic; Near East; Nearctic; North Africa)

**Aphis craccivora** Koch, 1854


**Native status:** Native

**Distribution:** COR; FLO; FAI; PIC; TER; SMG; SMR

**Notes:** Also present: MAD; CAN; CVP (Biogeographical Realm: Cosmopolitan)

**Aulacorthum solani** (Kaltenbach, 1843)


**Native status:** Native

**Distribution:** FLO; FAI*; TER; SMG; SMR

**Notes:** Also present: MAD; CAN; CVP (Biogeographical Realm: Cosmopolitan)

**Cavariella aegopodii** (Scopoli, 1763)


**Native status:** Introduced

**Distribution:** FLO; SJG*; TER; SMG; SMR

**Notes:** Biogeographical Realm: Cosmopolitan

**Dysaphis plantaginea** (Passerini, 1860)


**Native status:** Introduced

**Distribution:** FLO; FAI; GRA; TER; SMG; SMR

**Notes:** Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Cosmopolitan)
**Longiunguis luzulella** Hille Ris Lambers, 1947


  **Native status:** Introduced

  **Distribution:** SJG*

  **Notes:** Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic

**Myzus cerasi** (Fabricius, 1775)


  **Native status:** Introduced

  **Distribution:** FLO*; TER

  **Notes:** Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Australian; Eastern Palearctic; Near East; Nearctic; North Africa; Oriental)

**Neomyzus circumflexus** (Buckton, 1876)


  **Native status:** Introduced

  **Distribution:** FLO*; TER; SMG

  **Notes:** Also present: MAD (Biogeographical Realm: Cosmopolitan)

**Pseudacaudella rubida** (Börner, 1939)


  **Native status:** Native

  **Distribution:** FLO*; PIC; TER; SMG*; SMR

  **Notes:** Biogeographical Realm: Nearctic

**Rhopalosiphoninus latysiphon** (Davidson, 1912)


  **Native status:** Introduced

  **Distribution:** FLO*; FAI*; PIC*; GRA; SJG*; TER*; SMG; SMR*

  **Notes:** Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Cosmopolitan)
Rhopalosiphum oxyacanthae (Schrank, 1801)

Native status: Introduced
Distribution: FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG*; TER; SMG; SMR
Notes: Also present: MAD (Biogeographical Realm: Western Palaearctic; Japan)

Rhopalosiphum padi (Linnaeus, 1758)

Native status: Introduced
Distribution: COR; FLO; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR
Notes: Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Cosmopolitan)

Rhopalosiphum rufiabdominalis (Sasaki, 1899)

Native status: Introduced
Distribution: COR; FLO; FAI; PIC*; GRA; SJG; TER*; SMG; SMR
Notes: Also present: MAD (Biogeographical Realm: Cosmopolitan)

Toxoptera aurantii (Boyer de Fonscolombe, 1841)

Native status: Introduced
Distribution: FLO; FAI; PIC*; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR
Notes: Also present: MAD; CAN; CVP (Biogeographical Realm: Cosmopolitan)

Uroleucon erigeronense (Thomas, 1878)

Native status: Introduced
Distribution: SJG*; TER*; SMG*; SMR*
Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Eastern Palearctic; Near East; Nearctic; Neotropical; North Africa; Oriental
Family Cercopidae

*Philaenus spumarius* (Linnaeus, 1758)


  **Native status:** Introduced
  
  **Distribution:** TER; SMG
  
  **Notes:** Also present: CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Cosmopolitan)

Family Cicadellidae

*Anoscopus albifrons* (Linnaeus, 1758)


  **Native status:** Native
  
  **Distribution:** FLO*; FAI*; PIC; GRA; SJG*; TER; SMG; SMR
  
  **Notes:** Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Holarctic)

*Aphrodes hamiltoni* Quartau & Borges, 2003


  **Native status:** Azores endemic
  
  **Distribution:** FLO*; FAI*; PIC*; GRA; SJG*; TER*; SMG*; SMR*
  
  **Notes:** Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

*Eupteryx azorica* Ribaut, 1941


  **Native status:** Azores endemic
  
  **Distribution:** COR; FLO; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG
  
  **Notes:** Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

*Opsius stactogallus* Fieber, 1866


  **Native status:** Native
Distribution: COR; FLO*; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMR

Notes: Also present: CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Holarctic)

Family Cixiidae

*Cixius azofloresi* Remane & Asche, 1979


Native status: Azores endemic

Distribution: COR; FLO

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

*Cixius azomariae* Remane & Asche, 1979


Native status: Azores endemic

Distribution: SMR

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

*Cixius azopifajo subsp. azofa* Remane & Asche, 1979


Native status: Azores endemic

Distribution: FAI

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

*Cixius azopifajo subsp. azojo* Remane & Asche, 1979


Native status: Azores endemic

Distribution: SJG

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

*Cixius azopifajo subsp. azopifajo* Remane & Asche, 1979

Native status: Azores endemic

Distribution: PIC

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

*Cixius azoricus subsp. azoricus* Lindberg, 1954


Native status: Azores endemic

Distribution: FAI; SJG; TER; SMG*

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

*Cixius azoricus subsp. azoropicoi* Remane & Asche, 1979


Native status: Azores endemic

Distribution: PIC

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

*Cixius azoterceirae* Remane & Asche, 1979


Native status: Azores endemic

Distribution: TER

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

*Cixius insularis* Lindberg, 1954


Native status: Azores endemic

Distribution: SMG

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)
Family Cydnidae

**Geotomus punctulatus** (A. Costa, 1847)


  **Native status:** Native
  
  **Distribution:** FAI*; GRA; TER; SMG; SMR
  
  **Notes:** Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic)

Family Delphacidae

**Megamelodes quadrimaculatus** (Signoret, 1865)


  **Native status:** Native
  
  **Distribution:** FLO*; FAI*; PIC; GRA; SJG*; TER; SMG*; SMR
  
  **Notes:** Also present: MAD (Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia))

Family Drepanosiphidae

**Anoecia corni** (Fabricius, 1775)


  **Native status:** Introduced
  
  **Distribution:** FLO; PIC; SJG*; TER; SMG; SMR
  
  **Notes:** Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Cosmopolitan (except Australia))

Family Flatidae

**Cyphopterum adcedens** (Herrich-Schaeffer, 1835)


  **Native status:** Native
  
  **Distribution:** COR; FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR*
  
  **Notes:** Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic
Family Lachnidae

*Cinara juniperi* (De Geer, 1773)


Native status: Native

Distribution: COR; FLO*; FAI*; PIC; SJG*; TER; SMG; SMR

Notes: Also present: MAD (Biogeographical Realm: Holarctic)

Family Lygaeidae

*Beosus maritimus* (Scopoli, 1763)


Native status: Native

Distribution: FLO; FAI; TER; SMR

Notes: Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic)

*Gastrodes grossipes subsp. grossipes* (De Geer, 1773)


Native status: Introduced

Distribution: TER*

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Palearctic

*Heterogaster urticae* (Fabricius, 1775)


Native status: Native

Distribution: PIC; TER*; SMG

Notes: Also present: MAD (Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic)

*Kleidocerys ericae* (Horváth, 1908)


Native status: Native
**Distribution:** COR; FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG*; TER; SMG; SMR*

**Notes:** Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic)

*Microplax plagiata* (Fieber, 1837)

**Native status:** Native

**Distribution:** SMR*

**Notes:** Also present: CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Palearctic)

*Nysius atlantidum* Horváth, 1990

**Native status:** Azores endemic

**Distribution:** FLO; FAI; GRA; TER; SMG; SMR*

**Notes:** Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

*Nysius ericae* subsp. *ericae* Schilling, 1829

**Native status:** Native

**Distribution:** COR; FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

**Notes:** Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Afro-tropical)

*Plinthisus brevipennis* (Latreille, 1807)

**Native status:** Native

**Distribution:** FAI*; PIC; GRA; SMG; SMR

**Notes:** Also present: MAD (Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic)

*Plinthisus minutissimus* Fieber, 1864

**Native status:** Native
Distribution: FAI*; TER

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic

*Scolopostethus decoratus* (Hahn, 1833)


Native status: Native

Distribution: FLO; FAI*; PIC; GRA; TER; SMG; SMR

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Palearctic

*Family Microphysidae*

*Loricula coleoptrata* (Fallén, 1807)


Native status: Native

Distribution: FAI; SMG*; SMR

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic

*Loricula elegantula* (Bärensprung, 1858)


Native status: Native

Distribution: FLO; PIC*; GRA; SMG*; SMR

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic

*Family Miridae*

*Campyloneura virgula* (Herrich-Schaeffer, 1835)


Native status: Native

Distribution: FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG*; TER; SMG

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Nearctic
**Closterotomus norwegicus** (Gmelin, 1790)

  *Native status:* Native

  *Distribution:* FLO; FAI; PIC; TER; SMR*

  *Notes:* Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Australian; Nearctic)

**Heterotoma planicornis** (Pallas, 1772)

  *Native status:* Native

  *Distribution:* FAI; PIC; GRA; TER; SMG; SMR

  *Notes:* Biogeographical Realm: Nearctic

**Monalocoris filicis** (Linnaeus, 1758)

  *Native status:* Native

  *Distribution:* COR; FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

  *Notes:* Biogeographical Realm: Holactic; Afro-tropical; Northern Asia (except China

**Pinalitus oromii** J. Ribes, 1992

  *Native status:* Azores endemic

  *Distribution:* FLO*; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER*; SMG; SMR*

  *Notes:* Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

**Polymerus cognatus** (Fieber, 1858)

  *Native status:* Native

  *Distribution:* COR; FLO*; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

  *Notes:* Biogeographical Realm: Nearctic
Polymerus vulneratus (Panzer, 1806)


  **Native status:** Native
  **Distribution:** PIC*; TER
  **Notes:** Biogeographical Realm: Nearctic

Family Nabidae

Nabis pseudoferus subsp. ibericus Remane, 1962


  **Native status:** Native
  **Distribution:** COR; FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR
  **Notes:** Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic)

Family Pentatomidae

Nezara viridula (Linnaeus, 1758)


  **Native status:** Introduced
  **Distribution:** COR; FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR
  **Notes:** Also present: MAD; CAN; CVP (Biogeographical Realm: Cosmopolitan)

Family Psyllidae

Acizzia uncatoides (Ferris & Klyver, 1932)


  **Native status:** Introduced
  **Distribution:** PIC; GRA; TER*
  **Notes:** Also present: CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Australian)
Cacopsylla pulchella (Löw, 1877)


Native status: Introduced

Distribution: PIC*

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic

Strophingia harteni Hodkinson, 1981


Native status: Azores endemic

Distribution: COR; FLO; FAI*; PIC*; GRA; SJG*; TER*; SMG; SMR*

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

Family Reduviidae

Empicoris rubromaculatus (Blackburn, 1889)


Native status: Introduced

Distribution: PIC; TER*; SMG; SMR

Notes: Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Afro-tropical; Australian; Neotropical; Oriental)

Family Saldidae

Saldula palustris (Douglas, 1874)


Native status: Native

Distribution: TER; SMG

Notes: Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Afro-tropical; Eastern Palearctic; Near East; North Africa)
Family Tingidae

Acalypta parvula (Fallén, 1807)


  **Native status:** Native

  **Distribution:** FLO; FAI; PIC; TER; SMG

  **Notes:** Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Nearctic; North Africa (except Sinai Peninsula))

Family Triozidae

Trioza laurisilvae Hodkinson, 1990


  **Native status:** Native

  **Distribution:** FLO*; FAI*; PIC; GRA; SJG*; TER*; SMG; SMR*

  **Notes:** Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia))

Order Thysanoptera

Family Aeolothripidae

Aeolothrips collaris Priesner, 1919


  **Native status:** Native

  **Distribution:** FAI; PIC; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

  **Notes:** Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Palearctic)

Aeolothrips gloriosus Bagnall, 1914


  **Native status:** Native

  **Distribution:** FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR
Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Palearctic

Family Phlaeothripidae

*Eurythrips tristis* Hood, 1941


Native status: Introduced

Distribution: SJG*; TER*

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Nearctic

*Hoplandrothrips consobrinus* (Knechtel, 1951)


Native status: Introduced

Distribution: SJG*; TER; SMG

Notes: Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Palearctic)

*Hoplothrips corticis* (De Geer, 1773)


Native status: Native

Distribution: FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Cosmopolitan

*Hoplothrips ulmi* (Fabricius, 1781)


Native status: Introduced

Distribution: FLO*; FAI*; SJG*; TER; SMG*

Notes: Also present: MAD (Biogeographical Realm: Palearctic)

*Nesothrips propinquus* (Bagnall, 1916)


Native status: Introduced
Family Thripidae

*Aptinothrips rufus* Haliday, 1836


**Native status:** Introduced

**Distribution:** FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

**Notes:** Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Cosmopolitan)

*Ceratothrips ericae* (Haliday, 1836)


**Native status:** Native

**Distribution:** FAI; PIC; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

**Notes:** Also present: MAD (Biogeographical Realm: Holarctic)

*Heliothrips haemorrhoidalis* (Bouché, 1833)


**Native status:** Introduced

**Distribution:** FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

**Notes:** Also present: MAD; CAN; CVP (Biogeographical Realm: Cosmopolitan)

*Hercinothrips bicinctus* (Bagnall, 1919)


**Native status:** Introduced

**Distribution:** FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

**Notes:** Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Cosmopolitan)

*Isoneurothrips australis* Bagnall, 1915

Native status: Introduced
Distribution: TER; SMG; SMR
Notes: Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Cosmopolitan)

**Thrips atratus** Haliday, 1836


Native status: Native
Distribution: FAI; PIC; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR
Notes: Also present: MAD (Biogeographical Realm: Holarctic)

**Thrips flavus** Schrank, 1776


Native status: Native
Distribution: FAI; PIC; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR
Notes: Also present: MAD (Biogeographical Realm: Holarctic)

Order Neuroptera

Family Hemerobiidae

**Hemerobius azoricus** Tjeder, 1948


Native status: Azores endemic
Distribution: FLO*; FAI*; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER*; SMG; SMR
Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

Order Coleoptera

Family Anobiidae

**Anobium punctatum** (De Gueer, 1774)

Native status: Introduced

Distribution: COR; FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; TER; SMG; SMR

Notes: Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic)

Family Brentidae

Aspidapion radiolus subsp. chalybeipenne (Wollaston, 1854)


Native status: Native

Distribution: COR; FLO; FAI; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

Notes: Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Palearctic)

Family Carabidae

Acupalpus dubius Schilsky, 1888


Native status: Native

Distribution: FLO; FAI; GRA; SJG*; TER; SMG; SMR

Notes: Also present: MAD (Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic)

Acupalpus flavicollis (Sturm, 1825)


Native status: Native

Distribution: FAI*; TER

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Palearctic

Amara aenea (De Geer, 1774)


Native status: Introduced

Distribution: COR; FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

Notes: Also present: MAD; CAN; CVP (Biogeographical Realm: Holarctic)
Anisodactylus binotatus (Fabricius, 1787)


Native status: Introduced

Distribution: COR; FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

Notes: Also present: MAD (Biogeographical Realm: Holarctic)

Calathus lundbladi Colas, 1938


Native status: Azores endemic

Distribution: SMG

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

Cedrorum azoricus subsp. azoricus Borges & Serrano, 1993


Native status: Azores endemic

Distribution: TER; SMR

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

Cedrorum azoricus subsp. caveirensis Borges & Serrano, 1993


Native status: Azores endemic

Distribution: PIC

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

Laemostenus complanatus (Dejean, 1828)


Native status: Introduced

Distribution: FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

Notes: Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Cosmopolitan)
Ocys harpaloides (Audinet-Serville, 1821)


Native status: Native

Distribution: COR; FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

Notes: Also present: MAD (Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic)

Paranchus albipes (Fabricius, 1796)


Native status: Introduced

Distribution: COR; FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

Notes: Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Holarctic)

Pseudanchomenus aptinoides Tarnier, 1860


Native status: Azores endemic

Distribution: PIC; SMG

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

Pseudoophonus rufipes De Geer, 1774


Native status: Introduced

Distribution: COR; FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

Notes: Also present: MAD (Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic)

Pterostichus aterrimus subsp. aterrimus (Herbst, 1784)


Native status: Native

Distribution: PIC*; SJG; TER

Notes: Also present: MAD (Biogeographical Realm: Palearctic)
**Pterostichus vernalis** (Panzer, 1796)


  **Native status:** Introduced

  **Distribution:** FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG

  **Notes:** Biogeographical Realm: Palearctic

**Stenolophus teutonus** (Schrank, 1781)


  **Native status:** Native

  **Distribution:** COR; FLO; FAI; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

  **Notes:** Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic)

**Trechus terrabravensis** Borges, Serrano & Amorim, 2004


  **Native status:** Azores endemic

  **Distribution:** TER

  **Notes:** Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

**Family Cerambycidae**

**Crotchiella brachyptera** Israelson, 1985


  **Native status:** Azores endemic

  **Distribution:** PIC; TER; SMG; SMR

  **Notes:** Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

**Family Chrysomelidae**

**Chaetocnema hortensis** (Fourcroy, 1785)


  **Native status:** Introduced
**Epitrix hirtipennis** (Melsheimer, 1847)


  **Native status:** Introduced

  **Distribution:** PIC; GRA; TER; SMG; SMR

  **Notes:** Biogeographical Realm: Nearctic

**Psylliodes marcidus** (Illiger, 1807)


  **Native status:** Native

  **Distribution:** FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; TER; SMG; SMR

  **Notes:** Also present: MAD (Biogeographical Realm: Palearctic)

**Family Ciidae**

**Atlantocis gillerforsi** Israelson, 1986


  **Native status:** Azores endemic

  **Distribution:** FLO; PIC; TER*; SMG; SMR

  **Notes:** Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

**Family Coccinellidae**

**Clitostethus arcuatus** (Rossi, 1794)


  **Native status:** Introduced

  **Distribution:** GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

  **Notes:** Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic)
**Coccinella undecimpunctata subsp. undecimpunctata** Linnaeus, 1758


  **Native status:** Introduced
  
  **Distribution:** COR; FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR
  
  **Notes:** Biogeographical Realm: Holarctic

**Lindorus lophantheae** (Blaisdell, 1892)


  **Native status:** Introduced
  
  **Distribution:** FLO; GRA; SJG*; TER; SMG; SMR
  
  **Notes:** Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Cosmopolitan)

**Rodolia cardinalis** (Mulsant, 1850)


  **Native status:** Introduced
  
  **Distribution:** COR; FLO; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR
  
  **Notes:** Also present: MAD; CAN; CVP (Biogeographical Realm: Cosmopolitan)

**Family Corylophidae**

**Sericoderus lateralis** (Gyllenhal, 1827)


  **Native status:** Introduced
  
  **Distribution:** COR; FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR
  
  **Notes:** Also present: MAD; CAN; CVP (Biogeographical Realm: Palearctic)

**Family Curculionidae**

**Calacalles subcarinatus** (Israelson, 1984)


Borges P et al.
Native status: Azores endemic  
Distribution: COR; FLO; FAI*; PIC; GRA; SJG*; TER; SMG; SMR  
Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

*Caulotrupis parvus* Israelson, 1985


Native status: Azores endemic  
Distribution: SMR  
Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

*Coccotrypes carpophagus* (Hornung, 1842)


Native status: Introduced  
Distribution: FAI; PIC*; GRA; TER; SMG; SMR  
Notes: Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Cosmopolitan)

*Drouetius borgesi* subsp. *borgesi* Machado, 2009


Native status: Azores endemic  
Distribution: TER  
Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

*Drouetius borgesi* subsp. *centralis* Machado, 2009


Native status: Azores endemic  
Distribution: FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG  
Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

*Drouetius borgesi* subsp. *sanctmichaelis* Machado, 2009

Native status: Azores endemic
Distribution: SMG
Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

*Gymnetron pascuorum* (Gyllenhal, 1813)

Native status: Introduced
Distribution: FAI; TER; SMR
Notes: Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic)

*Orthochaetes insignis* (Aubé, 1863)

Native status: Native
Distribution: FLO; FAI*; TER; SMR
Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Palearctic

*Otiorhynchus cribricollis* Gyllenhal, 1834

Native status: Introduced
Distribution: COR; FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR
Notes: Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic)

*Otiorhynchus rugosostriatus* (Goeze, 1777)

Native status: Introduced
Distribution: FLO*; FAI; PIC; SJG*; TER; SMG; SMR
Notes: Also present: MAD (Biogeographical Realm: Palearctic)

*Phloeosinus gillerforsi* Bright, 1987
Native status: Azores endemic

Distribution: FLO; PIC; SJG*; TER*; SMG

Notes: Also present: CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia))

**Pseudechinosoma nodosum** Hustache, 1936


Native status: Azores endemic

Distribution: FLO; FAI*; PIC; SJG*; TER*; SMG; SMR

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

**Pseudophloeophagus aenopiceus** (Boheman, 1845)


Native status: Native

Distribution: FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

Notes: Also present: MAD (Biogeographical Realm: Palearctic)

**Pseudophloeophagus tenax** Wollaston, 1854


Native status: Native

Distribution: COR; FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

Notes: Also present: MAD (Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia))

**Sitona discoideus** Gyllenhal, 1834


Native status: Introduced

Distribution: FLO; FAI; GRA; SJG; TER*; SMG; SMR

Notes: Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Palearctic)

**Xyleborinus alni** Nijima, 1909

**Native status:** Introduced

**Distribution:** FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

**Notes:** Also present: MAD (Biogeographical Realm: Holarctic)

**Family Dryophthoridae**

**Sitophilus oryzae** (Linnaeus, 1763)


**Native status:** Introduced

**Distribution:** FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

**Notes:** Also present: MAD; CAN; CVP (Biogeographical Realm: Cosmopolitan)

**Family Dryopidae**

**Dryops algiricus** (Lucas, 1846)


**Native status:** Native

**Distribution:** FLO; TER; SMG; SMR

**Notes:** Biogeographical Realm: Palearctic

**Dryops luridus** (Erichson, 1847)


**Native status:** Native

**Distribution:** COR; FLO; FAI*; GRA; TER*; SMG; SMR

**Notes:** Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Palearctic)

**Family Dytiscidae**

**Agabus bipustulatus** (Linnaeus, 1767)


**Native status:** Native

**Distribution:** FLO; PIC; SJG; TER
Notes: Also present: MAD (Biogeographical Realm: Palearctic)

**Agabus godmani** Crotch, 1867


Native status: Azores endemic

Distribution: FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

**Hydroporus guernei** Régimbart, 1891


Native status: Azores endemic

Distribution: COR; FLO; FAI; PIC; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

**Family Elateridae**

**Aeolus melliculus** subsp. **moreleti** Tarnier, 1860


Native status: Introduced

Distribution: FLO; FAI; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Neotropical

**Alestrus dolosus** (Crotch, 1867)


Native status: Azores endemic

Distribution: FLO; FAI*; PIC*; TER; SMG; SMR

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

**Athous pomboi** Platia & Borges, 2002


Native status: Azores endemic
Distribution: SMR

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

Family Hydrophilidae

*Cercyon haemorrhoidalis* (Fabricius, 1775)


Native status: Introduced

Distribution: FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Holarctic

Family Lathridiidae

*Cartodere bifasciata* Reitter, 1877


Native status: Introduced

Distribution: FAI; GRA; TER*; SMG; SMR

Notes: Also present: MAD (Biogeographical Realm: Cosmopolitan)

*Cartodere nodifer* (Westwood, 1839)


Native status: Introduced

Distribution: FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG*; TER; SMG; SMR

Notes: Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Cosmopolitan)

*Cartodere satelles* (Blackburn, 1888)


Native status: Introduced

Distribution: TER*; SMR*

Notes: Also present: MAD (Biogeographical Realm: Cosmopolitan)
Metophthalmus occidentalis Israelson, 1984


**Native status:** Azores endemic

**Distribution:** FAI; GRA; SMG; SMR

**Notes:** Biogeographical Realm: Cosmopolitan

Family Leiodidae

Catops coracinus Kellner, 1846


**Native status:** Native

**Distribution:** FAI*; GRA; SJG*; TER*; SMG*

**Notes:** Biogeographical Realm: Cosmopolitan

Family Monotomidae

Rhizophagus ferrugineus (Paykull, 1800)


**Native status:** Introduced

**Distribution:** TER*

**Notes:** Also present: CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Cosmopolitan)

Family Mycetophagidae

Typhaea stercorea (Linnaeus, 1758)


**Native status:** Introduced

**Distribution:** FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; TER; SMG; SMR

**Notes:** Also present: MAD; CAN; CVP (Biogeographical Realm: Cosmopolitan)
Family Nitidulidae

*Carpophilus fumatus* (Boheman, 1851)


  **Native status:** Introduced

  **Distribution:** COR; FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

  **Notes:** Also present: MAD; CVP (Biogeographical Realm: Cosmopolitan)

*Carpophilus hemipterus* (Linnaeus, 1758)


  **Native status:** Introduced

  **Distribution:** FAI; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

  **Notes:** Also present: MAD; CAN; CVP (Biogeographical Realm: Cosmopolitan)

*Epuraea biguttata* (Thunberg, 1784)


  **Native status:** Introduced

  **Distribution:** FLO*; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

  **Notes:** Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Palearctic)

*Meligethes aeneus* (Fabricius, 1775)


  **Native status:**Introduced

  **Distribution:** FLO; FAI; PIC; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

  **Notes:** Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Holarctic)

*Stelidota geminata* (Say, 1825)


  **Native status:** Introduced

  **Distribution:** FLO; FAI*; PIC*; GRA; SJG*; TER*; SMR*
Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Neotropical

Family Phalacridae

Stilbus testaceus (Panzer, 1797)


Native status: Native

Distribution: FLO; FAI; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

Notes: Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic)

Family Ptiliidae

Ptenidium pusillum (Gyllenhal, 1808)


Native status: Introduced

Distribution: FLO; FAI; PIC; TER; SMG; SMR

Notes: Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Cosmopolitan)

Family Scarabaeidae

Onthophagus taurus (Schreber, 1759)


Native status: Introduced

Distribution: COR; FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Palearctic

Family Scaptiidae

Anaspis proteus Wollaston, 1854


Native status: Native

Distribution: COR; FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR
Notes: Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia))

Family Silvanidae

**Cryptamorpha desjardinsii** (Guérin-Méneville, 1844)

  Native status: Introduced

  Distribution: COR; FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

  Notes: Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic)

Order Trichoptera

Family Limnephilidae

**Limnephilus atlanticus** Nybom, 1948

  Native status: Azores endemic

  Distribution: COR; FLO*; FAI; PIC*; SJG; TER*; SMG*

  Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

Order Lepidoptera

Family Crambidae

**Eudonia luteusalis** (Hampson, 1907)

  Native status: Azores endemic

  Distribution: FLO; FAI; PIC; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

  Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

**Scoparia coecimaculalis** Warren, 1905
Native status: Azores endemic

Distribution: FLO*; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

*Scoparia semiampalis* Warren, 1905


Native status: Azores endemic

Distribution: FLO; FAI; PIC; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

Family Gelechiidae

*Brachmia infuscatella* Rebel, 1940


Native status: Azores endemic

Distribution: FAI; PIC; SJG; TER; SMR*

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

Family Geometridae

*Ascotis fortunata subsp. azorica* Pinker, 1971


Native status: Azores endemic

Distribution: COR; FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

*Cyclophora azorensis* (Prout, 1920)


Native status: Azores endemic

Distribution: COR; FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)
Cyclophora puppillaria subsp. granti (Prout, 1935)


**Native status:** Azores endemic

**Distribution:** SMR

**Notes:** Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

Nycterosea obstipata (Fabricius, 1794)


**Native status:** Native

**Distribution:** FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

**Notes:** Also present: MAD; CAN; CVP (Biogeographical Realm: Cosmopolitan)

Xanthorhoe inaequata Warren, 1905


**Native status:** Azores endemic

**Distribution:** COR; FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

**Notes:** Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

Family Gracillariidae

Caloptilia schinella (Walsingham, 1908)


**Native status:** Introduced

**Distribution:** COR; FAI; PIC; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

**Notes:** Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Cosmopolitan)

Micrurapteryx bistrigella (Rebel, 1940)


**Native status:** Azores endemic

**Distribution:** FLO; PIC; SJG; TER*
**Notes:** Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

**Phyllocnistis citrella** Stainton, 1856


**Native status:** Introduced

**Distribution:** FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

**Notes:** Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Cosmopolitan)

**Family Noctuidae**

**Agrotis ipsilon** (Hufnagel, 1766)


**Native status:** Native

**Distribution:** COR; FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

**Notes:** Also present: MAD; CAN; CVP (Biogeographical Realm: Cosmopolitan)

**Autographa gamma** (Linnaeus, 1758)


**Native status:** Native

**Distribution:** COR; FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

**Notes:** Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Palearctic)

**Chrysodeixis chalcites** (Esper, 1789)


**Native status:** Native

**Distribution:** COR; FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

**Notes:** Also present: MAD; CAN; CVP (Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic)

**Mesapamea storai** (Rebel, 1940)


**Native status:** Azores endemic
**Distribution:** COR; FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG

**Notes:** Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

*Mythimna unipuncta* (Haworth, 1809)


**Native status:** Native

**Distribution:** COR; FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

**Notes:** Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Cosmopolitan)

*Phlogophora interrupta* (Warren, 1905)


**Native status:** Azores endemic

**Distribution:** FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

**Notes:** Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

*Xestia c-nigrum* (Linnaeus, 1758)


**Native status:** Native

**Distribution:** COR; FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR

**Notes:** Also present: MAD (Biogeographical Realm: Holarctic)

**Family Nymphalidae**

*Hipparchia azorina subsp. occidentalis* (Sousa, 1985)


**Native status:** Azores endemic

**Distribution:** COR; FLO

**Notes:** Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

*Hipparchia miguelensis* (Le Cerf, 1935)

Native status: Azores endemic

Distribution: SMG

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

Family Tineidae

*Oinophila v-flava* (Haworth, 1828)


Native status: Introduced

Distribution: FLO; FAI; PIC*; TER; SMG

Notes: Also present: MAD; CAN (Biogeographical Realm: Palearctic)

*Opogona sacchari* (Bojer, 1856)


Native status: Introduced

Distribution: COR; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG*; TER; SMG; SMR

Notes: Also present: MAD; CAN; CVP (Biogeographical Realm: Cosmopolitan)

Family Tortricidae

*Rhopobota naevana* (Hübner, 1817)


Native status: Introduced

Distribution: FLO*; FAI*; PIC; GRA; SJG*; TER*; SMG*; SMR*

Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Holarctic

Family Yponomeutidae

*Argyresthia atlanticella* Rebel, 1940


Native status: Azores endemic

Distribution: COR; FLO; FAI; PIC; GRA; SJG; TER; SMG; SMR
Notes: Biogeographical Realm: Western Palearctic (Macaronesia)

Analysis

Azorean Arthropod biodiversity - towards a more complete knowledge

The ultimate goal of biodiversity assessments is documenting all species inhabiting a region. However, this has often proven impossible to achieve given the unfeasibility of collecting every single species that exists in a study area. This study focuses on the terrestrial arthropod diversity of the Azores and encompasses most orders of the phylum Arthropoda. A pool of a total of 1215 species and subspecies was surveyed, representing 53% of the whole arthropod fauna known from the Azores (Borges et al. 2010). By deliberately not surveying Crustacea, Acari, Collembola, Diptera and Hymenoptera, we excluded 47% of the archipelago's species pool. Yet, this study added 10 endemic and at least 16 other species, mostly exotics, to the known Azorean arthropod fauna. More will be added soon after the on-going revision of Staphylinidae (in prep.) and Zopheridae (Borges et al. 2016, in press). Overall, at least 26 species that occur in native forests were added to the Azorean arthropod fauna list. The new 346 taxonomic records provided by this study (see Suppl. material 4 for the complete list of new records per island) represent on average an increase in species number of about 10% for each studied island (Table 2). However, the increment for São Jorge island was about 22%, while for São Miguel this represented only 3% (Table 2). 164 species were found in new islands, with an average of two islands per species. For 82 of those species only one new island was added to their known distribution contrasting with 27 species for which four or more islands were added (Fig. 2). Notably, nine out of the 27 species with more than three island added to their previous distribution belong to Arachnida. In fact, arachnids but also millipedes and centipedes experienced a large proportion of new records (more than 30%) (see Table 3).

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Table 3.
Total species and subspecies records for the Azores, new species and subspecies records during this study and increment for the most speciose classes and orders. Values for all islands are added, so richness may be up to 7 times higher than the archipelago's richness (as 7 islands were surveyed). (*)The Coleoptera families Staphylinidae and Zopheridae were not considered (see text).

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Figure 2.
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Figure 3.
Number of species per native forest fragments. Island codes as in Table 1
BALA2 samples only added 4% of species to the previous BALA survey (Fig. 4). Interestingly, 59 samples collected in the first two years of survey (1999 and 2000) provided about 81% of the total species recorded in this study.

![Species accumulation curve](image)

**Figure 4.**
Species accumulation curve for the 286 species of arthropods collected in 152 pitfall and beating samples between 1999 and 2011. The solid line corresponds to the chronological sample sequence and the dotted line is a randomized curve (1000 runs). Samples to the left of the vertical line were collected in BALA1 and to the right in BALA2.

**The most abundant species**

A total of 163744 individuals were identified as belonging to the 286 species (see Suppl. material 5 for the complete list of abundance per species). The ten most abundant species (Fig. 5) accommodate 56% of the total number of individuals and include mostly indigenous species (endemic or native non-endemic). The single introduced species is the millipede *Ommatoiulus moreletii* (Fig. 6). With exception of the millipede *Ommatoiulus moreletii*, the centipede *Lithobius plicicornis plicicornis* and the opilion *Leiobunum blackwallii* (Fig. 7) that are mostly soil epigean species, the other seven species live preferentially in the canopies of Azorean endemic trees. The moth *Argyresthia atlanticella* (Fig. 8) is particularly common in *Juniperus brevifolia* and *Erica azorica*; the spider *Savigniorrhhipis acoreensis* (Fig. 9) is particularly abundant in *Juniperus brevifolia*, but can also be found in other plants.
Figure 5.
The ten most abundant species in the database. END - endemic from Azores; NAT - native non-endemic species; INTR - species introduced in the archipelago.

Figure 6.
The millipede *Ommatoiulus moreletii* (Credit: Pedro Cardoso)
Figure 7.
The opilion *Leiobunum blackwalli* (Credit: Paulo A.V. Borges).

Figure 8.
The moth *Argyresthia atlanticella* (Credit: Paulo A.V. Borges)
Discussion

Cardoso et al. (2011) identified seven impediments in invertebrate conservation. Three of them are particularly relevant for our study: most species are undescribed (the Linnean shortfall), the distribution of described species is mostly unknown (the Wallacean shortfall), and the abundance of species and its variation in space and time are unknown (the Prestonian shortfall). We argue that with the BALA project we were able to contribute to overcome some of these impediments in the Azores. In fact, we show that as a result of the standardized sampling performed in Azorean native forests we were able to: i) decrease the Linnean shortfall, by increasing the number of described Azorean endemics (e.g. Blas and Borges 1999, Ribes and Borges 2001, Platia and Borges 2002, Quartau and Borges 2003, Borges et al. 2004, Borges and Wunderlich 2008, Crespo et al. 2013, Crespo et al. 2014, Borges et al. 2016); ii) decrease the Wallacean shortfall, by increasing the known distribution of many endemic and exotic species in the archipelago (e.g. Borges et al. 2005a, Borges et al. 2006, Cardoso et al. 2009, Meijer et al. 2011); and iii) decrease the Prestonian shortfall, by using standardized sampling, which allowed the comparison of species abundances in space and time as many of the same sites were sampled in two different time periods.

The increase in the number of islands from where each species is known and the distribution increase for many species within each island shows the importance of regional standardized surveys, which provided a major improvement in the knowledge of the distribution of arthropod species in the native forests of the Azores.

The fact that most diversity was captured during the first two years of the project reflects the importance of sampling a wide geographic range covering all the islands and the

Figure 9.
The spider *Savigniorrhippis acoreensis* (Credit: Paulo A.V. Borges)
maximum number of sites. Increasing the number of samples per fragment (sampling performed in 2004) or replicating the sampling at a different time (29 sites in 2010 to 2011; BALA2 project) had a lesser impact in increasing our knowledge about biodiversity (Fig. 4).

The future agenda for surveying and monitoring Azorean arthropod biodiversity includes:

a) expanding the standardized survey of Azorean arthropods to other habitat types, mostly man-modified, an already on-going task for some of the islands (see e.g. Cardoso et al. 2009, Meijer et al. 2011, Cardoso et al. 2013, Florencio et al. 2013, Santos et al. 2010);

b) selecting study areas along a comprehensive environmental gradient where an optimal sampling strategy will be applied in order to sample the entire arthropod communities (All Taxa Biodiversity Inventory - ATBI). ATBIs are intensive sampling efforts to identify and record all living species that exist within a given area and simultaneously create a common and standardized biodiversity database (Lawton and Gaston 2001);

c) finishing the identification of many morphospecies. Good progress has been made with Staphylinidiae (Borges et al. in prep.), but other taxa need further effort to reach proper identification;

d) increase sampling and update the current list of Azorean Hymenoptera and Diptera, which is clearly incomplete (Borges et al. 2010). The shortage of taxonomists who can adequately identify species (i.e. the so-called Taxonomic Impediment) has prevented advances in the knowledge for many diverse groups in the Azores, including these two.

e) contributing to the validation and updating of the pan-European checklists programs, including Fauna Europaea (Jong et al. 2014) and PESI (Jong et al. 2015) allowing a more general evaluation and comparison of species distributions and statuses.

This study advances the knowledge on the unique arthropod biodiversity of the Azores, but at the same time highlights the need for further surveys. We strongly believe that the BALA project will stimulate further research and conservation actions towards the preservation of Azorean biodiversity. Furthermore, we hope that all the taxa yet to be identified will entice taxonomist to join us in the endeavour of cataloguing all terrestrial arthropods of the most remote of the Macaronesian archipelagos, the Azores. The ongoing longterm research projects in Azores and the recent creation of the E-Repository ISLANDLAB will create new opportunities for biodiversity studies in Azores.

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Supplementary materials

Suppl. material 1: Appendix 1 - Detailed data on the distribution and abundance of the studied species

Authors: Borges et al.
Data type: Occurrences and abundance
Brief description: Detailed data on the occurrences and abundances of the studied species. Data on species abundance in each individual sample (pitfall trap or canopy beating) for the 152 transects in eighteen protected areas and seven Azorean islands.
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Suppl. material 2: Appendix 2 - Metadata from Appendix 1

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Data type: Text in pdf
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Suppl. material 3: Appendix 3 - Sites UTM coordinates

Authors: Borges et al.
Data type: Sites coordinates
Brief description: UTM coordinates (regions 25S for Flores and 26S for all other islands), altitude (meters) and supporting project of the studied transects in the Azores. Transect code according to island, reserve and transect number (see text)
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Suppl. material 4: Appendix 4. Complete list of new records per island.

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Suppl. material 5: Appendix 5 - Abundance data

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