

Crepidodera spp.

(*Crepidodera*)

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What does it attack?

It attacks poplars of all ages. There are several potential species that cause damage (*C. aurata*, *C. lamina*, *C. aurea*, *C. fulvicornis*, etc.).

How to identify it?

The adult is a 2.5-4 mm beetle with a round appearance and metallic color, sometimes coppery (**Figs. 1 and 2**).



Figure 1

What damage does it cause?

Both the larvae and the adults feed on the leaves of the tree. To do this, they make holes in the blade of the leaf, initially they are small holes and then they increase their size (**Fig. 3**).



Figure 2

(Source: <http://crisomelidosibericos.com/>)

When to see it?

Adults can frequently be found on leaves from spring to early summer. The holes are visible throughout the growth period.

What can it be confused with?

With *Phratora laticollis* (poplar leaf beetle, see [sheet](#)), but *P. laticollis* is bigger, has darker colors and is not coppery. In addition, they do not produce defoliation in the form of holes, but respect the epidermis of the leaf beam.



Figure 3

(Source: Zúbrick et al. (2013))