

# *Micrutalis malleifera* (Fowler)

**Length:** 2.8-3.6 mm

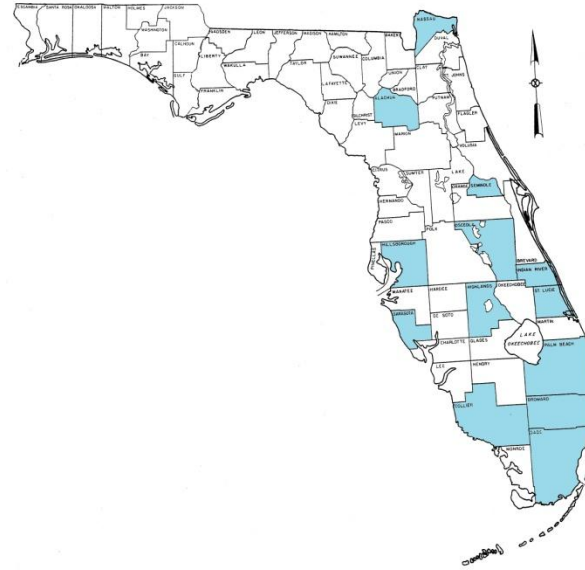
**Regional distribution:** primarily Neotropical: Argentina, Columbia, Guyana, Jamaica, & Mexico; in US: mainly southern Florida & coastal North Carolina

**Seasonal distribution in FL:** multiple generations throughout the year where and when host plants have tender growth

**Host associations in FL:** *Lycopersicon esculentum*, *Physalis* spp., *Solanum* spp. (including eggplant)

**Relative abundance in FL:** not as abundant as *M. calva*, but still relatively common

**NOTE:** This species is the only known vector of pseudo-curly top virus, a minor disease on tomatoes in southern Florida.



female



male

