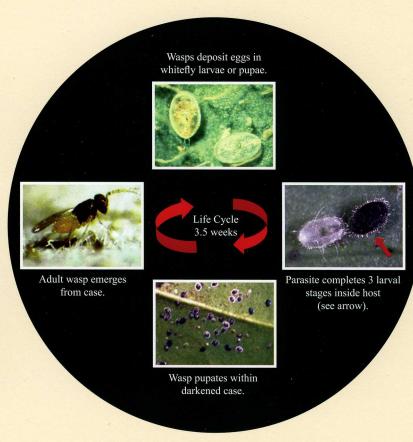
ENCARSIA

Encarsia are tiny wasps (0.02 in long) that lay their eggs in whitefly larvae or pupae on the undersides of leaves. Parasitized hosts turn into black or brownish cases. Adult *Encarsia* have a black or brown head and thorax and yellow abdomen. They are commercially available on hanging paper tags, which should be placed on plants that are highly susceptible to whitefly.



Encarsia (indicated by arrow) on hanging tag Species commercially available: Encarsia formosa



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