Possible Spotted Lanternfly Egg Mass Look-alikes in Virginia
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Egg masses of the spotted lantern fly, *Lycorma delicatula* (White), are usually covered with a smooth tan to gray colored coating when fresh. This coating may crack and fall off with age, exposing eggs laid in vertical rows underneath. Some egg masses are laid with only some or no covering at all. Here are a few other insect egg masses found in Virginia to help you recognize those of the spotted lantern fly. Sizes not to scale.

- **Spotted lanternfly eggs**
  - without covering. *Kenneth R. Law, USDA APHIS PPQ, Bugwood.org*

- **Chinese mantis egg case**
  - *Whitney Cranshaw, CO State Univ., Bugwood.org*

- **Spotted lanternfly egg mass**
  - *Kenneth R. Law, USDA APHIS PPQ, Bugwood.org*

- **Gypsy moth egg masses**
  - covered with brown hairs. *Karla Salp, WA State Dept. of Ag, Bugwood.org*

- **Cankerworm eggs**
  - *PA Dept. of Conservation and Natural Resources - Forestry, Bugwood.org*

- **Lichen on bark**
  - *Eric Day, Virginia Tech*

- **Eastern tent caterpillar eggs**
  - *Whitney Cranshaw, CO State Univ., Bugwood.org*

- **Wheel bug eggs and nymphs**
  - *Johnny N. Dell, Bugwood.org*
Possible Spotted Lanternfly Adult Look-alikes in Virginia
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The adult spotted lanternfly, *Lycorma delicatula* (White), has a very distinctive appearance with black spots and bars on the upper wings and red, black, and white on the hindwings. Adults measure about 1” long and 0.5” wide. A few other insects in Virginia have similar color patterns, but a close look will show that spotted lanternfly is easily recognizable. Sizes not to scale. Upper left photo: Eric Day. All others: Bugwood.org
**Possible Spotted Lanternfly Immature Look-alikes in Virginia**

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Immature spotted lanternfly, *Lycorma delicatula* (White), are black with white spots when young. They turn red and black with white spots when older. A few other insects in Virginia have similar color patterns, but a close look will show that immature spotted lanternflies are easily recognizable. Sizes not to scale.