



# Successful prevention of Sciarid and Shore flies.



### WHICH CROPS DOES STAPHYLINE PROTECT

Pot plants Young plant production Chrysanthemums

### WHICH PESTS DOES STAPHYLINE CONTROL ?

Sciarid flies Shores flies Thrips Pupae



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# **Staphyline**

## Why use Staphyline ?

**Staphyline** contains *Atheta coriaria,* a Staphylinid beetle which is a predator of soil and compost pests. It is a generalist predator of insects but the adults and young stage are particularly good at feeding on the larvae of sciarid flies (*Bradysia* spp., *Lycoriella* spp., *and Sciara* spp.) and shore flies (*Scatella* spp.).

**Staphyline** can be used in crops such as herbs and ornamentals where warm humid conditions favour the target pests. It should be introduced early in the growing season. With careful management good populations will build up in the greenhouse to give high levels of control. The population build up can be greater if the Atheta breeders kit is used.

- Formulation contains adults, larvae, pupae and eggs for balanced population.
- Visible predator with mobile adults for good dispersal and establishment.
- Attacks shore flies and sciarids.
- Naturally occurring in Europe.

### AVAILABLE DELIVERY SYSTEMS

**Staphyline** is available in loose material packed in 500 ml card-board tube or 6 litres plastic tub. Loose material is usually used to provide an immediate high dose of beneficials. This system is good for quickly

establishing a population of beneficials and providing an immediate defense.

The **breeding kit** is available in 14 litres buckets as shown above.



### HOW TO USE

#### For Loose Product:

Use at the rate of 5 insects per  $m^2.$  Make 1 release. Dose may be increased to 10 per  $m^2$  to speed up establishment in areas of high infestation, particularly

- Rotate the tube several times before opening to mix the contents.
- Push the cut-out on the lid where marked to open the tube.
- Rotate the lid cover to the fully open position for application.
- Shake contents gently onto potting media, capillary matting, and any areas of algal growth where flies are considered to be breeding.

**For Breeding Kit:** See instructions provided with kit.



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### **HANDLING & STORAGE**

- Transport and store in darkness at 10-15°.
- Keep out of direct sun.
- Use within 48h of receipt.

