

## Ladybug Fun Facts

There are almost 5,000 different kinds of ladybugs that live in the world. About 500 different kinds live in North America.

When a ladybug flies, it beats its wings more than 85 times per second.

Ladybugs are a gardeners best friend because they like to eat pests that can be harmful to plants, especially aphids.

A female ladybug lays about 1,000 eggs in her lifetime.

A ladybug cannot chew up and down like people do. They chew from side to side.

A ladybug can bite you, but it doesn't hurt.

The spots on a ladybug fade as the ladybug gets older.

Ladybugs like to keep warm. They don't like to fly if the temperature is below 55 degrees Fahrenheit.

Ladybugs hibernate in the winter. They eat their stored fat.

The male ladybug is almost always smaller than the female.

Some ladybugs can live 2 or 3 years.

Ladybugs are also called lady beetles. In Europe, they are also known as Ladybird Beetles.

Ladybugs make a fluid from the joints in their legs, which gives them an unpleasant taste. This helps protect them from being eaten by birds.

If a ladybug is threatened, it pretends to "play dead".

All ladybugs are born black.

Ladybugs are cold blooded.

In many countries, ladybugs are considered to be good luck.

Ladybugs come in many different colors, red, orange, rust, black, grey, blue and yellow.

