## **Eucalyptus weevil**

Insect name: Eucalyptus weevil

Causal agents: Gonipterus scutellatus

Trees affected: Eucalyptus spp.

Feeding: Defoliator

Symptoms: Stunted growth; feeding on leaves and shoots; brown to red-brown

beetles (8-9 mm) with 'X' marking on back; yellowish larvae (up to 10

mm) with black stripes and faecal tail; only epidermis of leaves

removed by young larvae; hardened dark brown egg capsules on new

leaves



Adult



Early instar larvae feeding (notice faecal tails)



Egg capsule (notice egg parasitoid)



Later instar larvae



'Scalloping' damage of adult beetles



Severe damage to compartment