

Fiddler Beetle *Eupoecila australasiae*

When to look:

*From early summer
when adults emerge*

Violin-shaped
markings on its back

Shiny black back
and head

Bright yellow-green
markings

Similar species:

Green Scarab Beetle: has a shiny green back with no distinct markings.

Jewel Beetle: has red markings on its back.

Golden Stag Beetle: has a yellow-green shiny back with no distinct markings.

Other Scarab beetles: have brown to black markings on a gold back (rather than gold markings on a dark brown back) and lack the violin-shaped markings on their backs.

Dark brown to
black legs

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