

### 7 – SPOT LADYBIRD

The 7-spot Ladybird is one of the most common species of Ladybird in Ireland but there are 19 different kinds!

This insect is usually 5.5 to 8mm in length.

They have seven black spots in a symmetrical pattern on their bright red wing cases. These spots tell you what kind of ladybird they are and not how old they are! They have a black head and white markings on either side of their eyes.

These Ladybirds come out of hibernation in March, and can be seen all summer long.

They can be found in lots of different habitats, including gardens and school grounds. A good plant to check for them is lavender!



Activities you can carry out:

- Learn how to draw the 7-Spot Ladybird [here](#)
- Check out our [Habitat Heroes](#) resource on ladybirds.
- Interested in [Citizen Science](#)? Check out the National Biodiversity Data Centre recording page [here](#)

