

# UGLYNEST CATERPILLAR—*Archips cerasivorana*

**HOSTS:** Chokecherry, cherry, and other hardwoods

**IDENTIFICATION, LIFE CYCLE, AND DAMAGE:** Larvae are 20 to 23 mm long and olive to greenish-yellow with black heads. Moths are bright orange with yellow hind wings and have a wingspan of 18 to 25 mm.

Uglynest caterpillars overwinter as eggs on the bark of their host. Larvae emerge during May and June and construct extensive nests of webbing, leaves, and twigs. They feed on leaves within their nests during summer, and pupate in the nests in fall. Moths emerge and lay eggs in the fall.

Nests may envelop small trees and are unsightly.

**CONTROL:** Spray foliage with carbaryl, chlorpyrifos, or fluvalinate when nests first appear.



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