

# Citrus leafminer

## *(Phyllocnistis citrella)*

- ❑ Introduced into FL, TX, LA, and S CA in Imperial and San Diego Co.
- ❑ Hosts: Lemon; Lime; Orange; Grapefruit; Pomelo (*Citrus* spp.)
- ❑ Field ID: Adult about 4 mm long, **white or silver with brown marks**. Larvae up to 3 mm long, **greenish yellow, maggot-like** lacking legs, with **marked intersegmental constrictions**; feed under epidermis on lower surface of newly emerging leaves, causing them to curl. Galleries diagnostic, transparent with a median reddish line of excrement, giving the leaves a silvery appearance underneath. Larva pupates within fold of leaf.

