

Hoverfly identification



	☐ Marmalade hoverfly <i>Episyrphus balteatus</i>		☐ Batman hoverfly <i>Myathropa florea</i>		☐ Common dronefly <i>Eristalis tenax</i>		☐ Common snout <i>Rhingia campestris</i>		☐ Common tiger hoverfly <i>Helophilus pendulus</i>
	☐ Pied plumehorn <i>Volucella pellucens</i>		☐ Thick-legged hoverfly <i>Syritta pipiens</i>		☐ Hornet plumehorn <i>Volucella zonaria</i>		☐ Bumblebee plumehorn <i>Volucella bombylans</i>		☐ Long-winged duskyface <i>Melanostoma scalare</i>

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Hoverflies can be difficult to identify. This is a rough guide to some common species.

Hoverfly larvae identification



	☐ Common dronefly <i>Eristalis tenax</i>		☐ Yellow-girdled fleckwing <i>Dasyrphus tricornutus</i>		☐ Early epistrophe <i>Epistrophe elegans</i>		☐ Marmalade hoverfly <i>Episyrphus balteatus</i>		☐ Humming syrphus <i>Syrphus ribesii</i>
	☐ Common copperback <i>Ferdinandea cuprea</i>		☐ Wasp plumehorn <i>Volucella inanis</i>		☐ Lacewing larva		☐ Kidney-spot ladybird larva		☐ Mosquito larva

In wasp nests: sometimes enters houses

In sap runs

Lookalikes!

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Many larvae can be very difficult to identify!