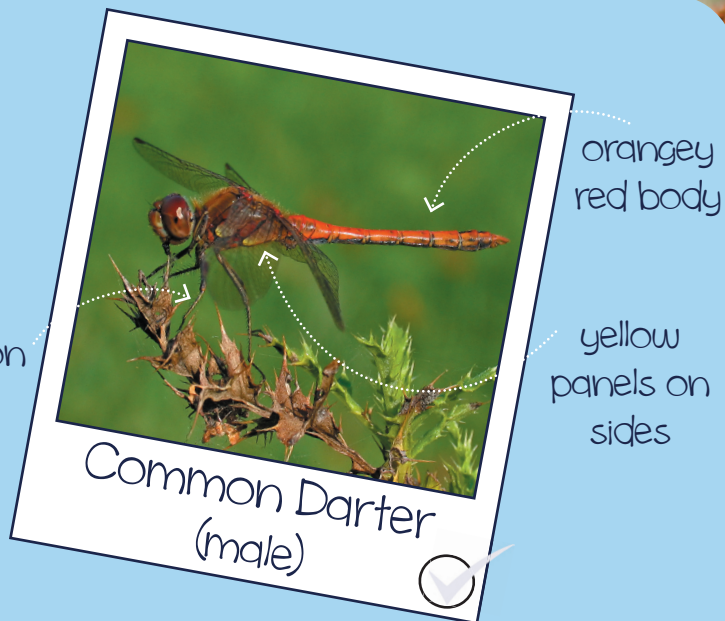
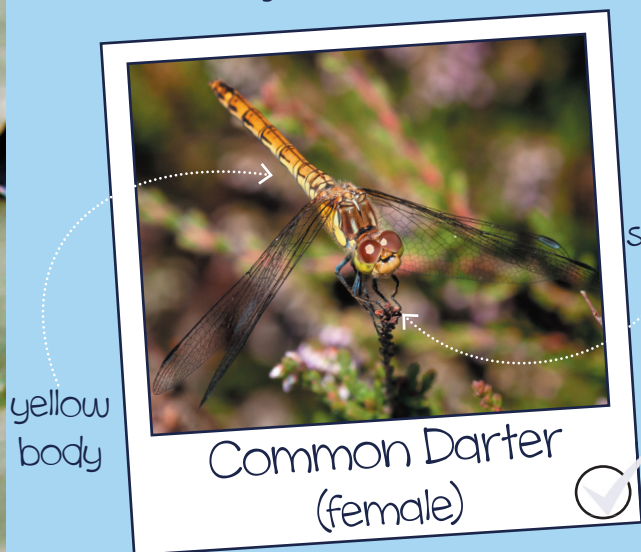
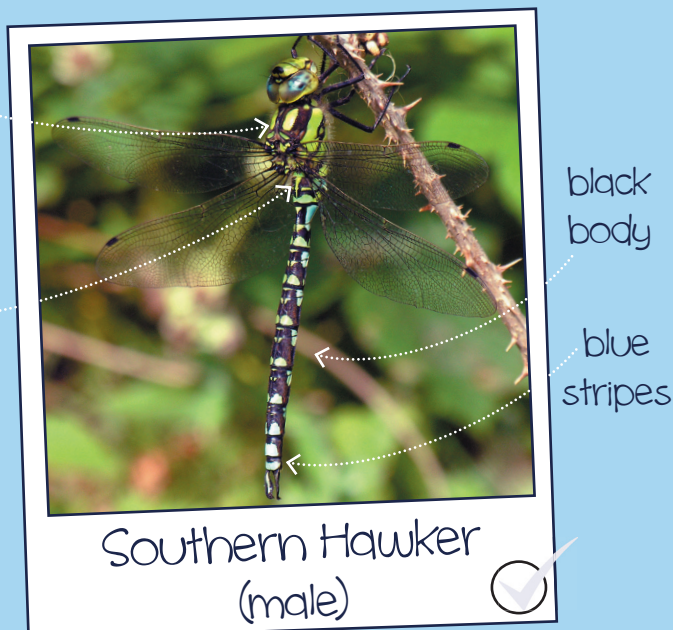
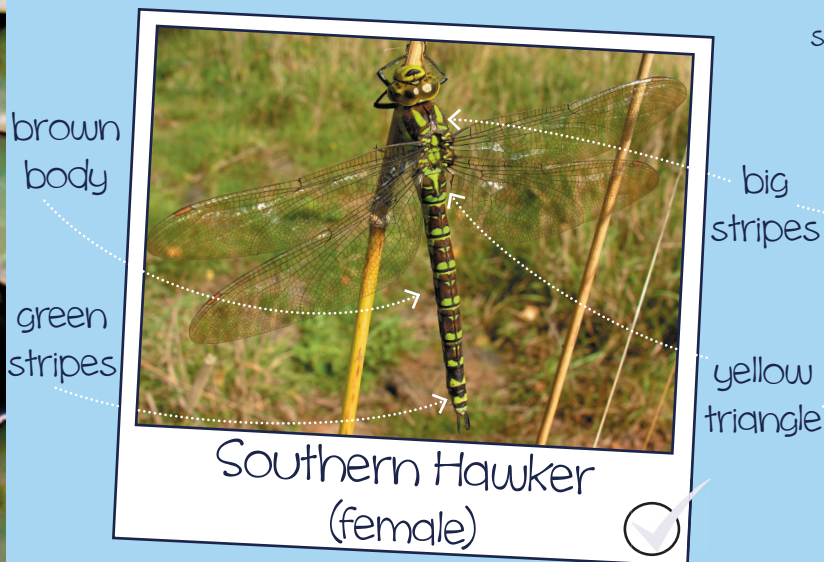


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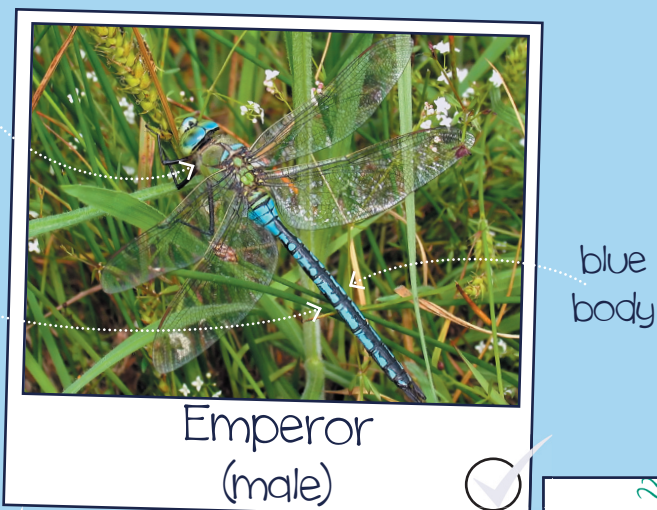
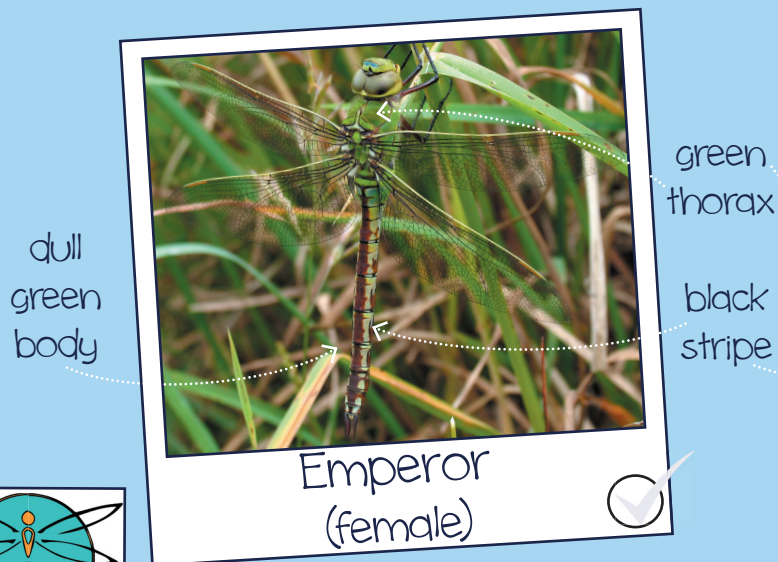
The Common Darter flies between July and October, although some can be found as early as May and as late as December!



The Southern Hawker is one of our most colourful dragonflies and most curious, sometimes landing on people! They fly between July and September.



The Emperor is the biggest dragonfly in the UK. It flies between June and August.



Images: © J. Evans, Stephen Mitchell, female common darter, Nick Ford, male Common Darter, female and male Southern Hawker, male and female Emperor David Kitching, BDS Dragons logo Lucy Daley



Dragonflies of the Garden

Migrant Hawkers breed in the UK but we also get some which fly here from Europe! They are the most common Hawker in the Autumn, flying from July to November.



Migrant Hawker
(female)

Brown
body
with
yellow
spots

very
small
stripes

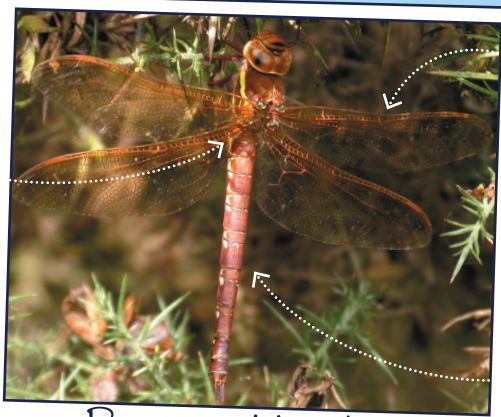
yellow
T-shape



Migrant Hawker
(male)

black
body
with
blue
spots

Brown Hawkers are large and shine beautifully golden in the sunlight. They fly between June and October.

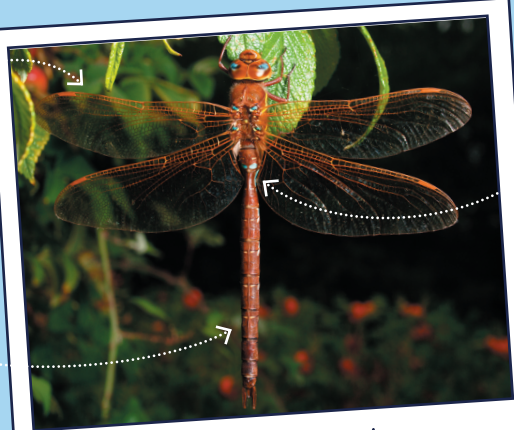


Brown Hawker
(female)

wide
waist

shiny
orange
wings

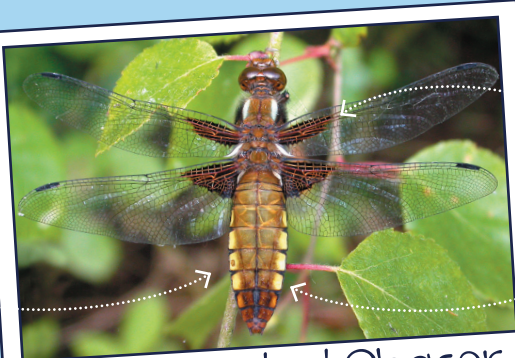
brown
body with
tiny
yellow or
blue spots



Brown Hawker
(male)

thin
waist

Broad-bodied Chasers are really quick at finding new ponds, sometimes within hours of it being filled! They fly between May and August.



Broad-bodied Chaser
(female)

wide
yellow
brown
body

dark
wing
marks

yellow
spots



Broad-bodied Chaser
(male)

wide
blue
body