

DRAGONFLIES (Anisoptera)

Common Name	Scientific Name	Occurrence Level	Flight Period *	Habitat
Petalails (Petaluridae)				
Grey Petaltail	Tachopteryx thoreyi		Feb.-Aug., peak June	Restricted to permanet forest seeps
Clubtails (Gomphidae)				
Unicorn Clubtail	Arigomphus villosipes	Uncommon	May-July, peak June	Ponds and still water at edges of rivers
Black-shouldered Spinyleg	Dromogomphus spinosus	Common	May-Sept., peak July	Streams and rivers
Lancet Clubtail	Phanogomphus exilis	Common	April-July, peak June	Still or slow moving water
Ashy Clubtail	Phanogomphus lividus	Common	March-June, peak April	Rivers and streams
Sable Clubtail	Stenogomphus rogersi	Rare	June-July	Small streams to rivers
Dragonhunter	Hagenius brevistylus	Uncommon	June-Aug., peak June	Rivers and streams
Common Sanddragon	Progomphus obscurus	Uncommon	May-July, peak June	Rivers and streams
Russet-tipped Clubtail	Stylurus plagiatus	Common	May-Oct., peak mid	Coastal plain rivers
Darners (Aeshnidae)				
Common Green Darner	Anax junius	Common	March-December	Still or slow moving water
Shadow Darner	Aeshna umbrosa	Common	July-Nov., peak Sept.	Slow moving streams
Swamp Darner	Epiaeschna heros	Common	March-August	Swamps
Harlequin Darner	Gomphaeschna fuscillata	Uncommon	March-June, peak April	Swamps and bogs
Cyrano Darner	Nasiaeschna pentacantha	Uncommon	Feb.-Oct., peak June	Still or slow moving water
Spiketails (Cordulegastridae)				
Twin-spotted Spiketail	Cordulegaster maculata	Uncommon	March-July, peak June	Streams
Brown Spiketail	Cordulegaster bilineata	Uncommon	May-June	Streams
Cruisers (Macromiidae)				
Stream Cruiser	Didymops transversa	Common	Feb.-July, peak Mar.-Apr.	Streams and rivers
Georgia River Cruiser	Macromia illinoiensis georgina	Rare to uncommon	August	Rivers and creeks

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Emeralds (Corduliidae)				
Prince Baskettail	<i>Epitheca princeps</i>	Uncommon	March-Aug., peak July	Large open ponds, lakes, slow moving rivers
Mocha Emerald	<i>Somatochlora linearis</i>	Uncommon	June-August	Forested streams
Clamp-tipped Emerald	<i>Somatochlora tenebrosa</i>	Uncommon	July-August	Streams
Skimmers (Libellulidae)				
Calico Pennant	<i>Celithemis elisa</i>	Common	April-Sept., peak June-July	Marshes
Halloween Pennant	<i>Celithemis eponina</i>	Uncommon	March-Oct., peak July	Marshes
Common Pondhawk	<i>Erythemis simplicicollis</i>	Abundant	Feb.-Nov., peak July-Aug.	Ponds
Spangled Skimmer	<i>Libellula cyanea</i>	Abundant	May-Aug., peak June	Ponds
Slaty Skimmer	<i>Libellula incesta</i>	Common	May-Sept., peak July	Ponds
Widow Skimmer	<i>Libellula luctuosa</i>	Common	May-Sept., peak July	Ponds
Common Whitetail	<i>Plathemis lydia</i>	Abundant	Feb.-Nov., peak June	Ponds
Needham's Skimmer	<i>Libellula needhami</i>	Common	March-Oct., peak July	Still or slow moving water
Great Blue Skimmer	<i>Libellula vibrans</i>	Common	April-Sept., peak July-Aug.	Still or slow moving water
Blue Dasher	<i>Pachydiplax longipennis</i>	Abundant	Feb.-Nov., peak July	Still or slow moving water
Wandering Glider	<i>Pantala flavescens</i>	Common	Jan.-Dec., peak Aug.-Sept.	Shallow or temporary ponds
Spot-winged Glider	<i>Pantala hymenaea</i>	Common	Jan.-Dec., peak July-Aug.	Shallow or temporary ponds
Eastern Amberwing	<i>Perithemis tenera</i>	Common	March-Nov., peak July-Aug.	Ponds and other still water
Autumn Meadowhawk	<i>Sympetrum vicinum</i>	Abundant	June-Dec., peak Sept.-Oct.	Ponds
Carolina Saddlebag	<i>Tramea carolina</i>	Common	Feb.-Dec., peak June	Ponds
Black Saddlebag	<i>Tramea lacerata</i>	Common	Apr.-Oct., peak Sept.	Ponds

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Broad-winged Damselflies (Calopterygidae)				
Ebony Jewelwing	Calopteryx maculata	Common	March-Sept., peak July	Forested streams
Pond Damselflies (Coenagrionidae)				
Blue-tipped Dancer	Argia tibialis	Abundant	April-Aug., peak June	Streams and rivers
Familiar Bluet	Enallagma civile	Common	Feb.-Dec., peak April-Oct.	Ponds
Big Bluett	Enallagma durum	Uncommon	April-Oct., peak June	Large rivers
Skimming Bluet	Enallagma geminatum	Common	March-Oct., peak July	Ponds
Orange Bluet	Enallagma signatum	Common	March-Oct., peak July	Still or slow moving water
Slender Bluet	Enallagma traviatum	Uncommon	May-July	Ponds
Citrine Forktail	Ischnura hastata	Common	Feb.-Dec., peak June	Grassy seeps and marshes
Fragile Forktail	Ischnura posita posita	Abundant	Feb.-Nov., peak June	Various aquatic habitats
Rambur's Forktail	Ischnura ramburii	Common	Jan.-Dec., peak May & Oct.	Still, usually slightly brackish, water
Eastern Forktail	Ischnura verticalis	Abundant	April-Sept., peak July	Ponds

* Reference: iNaturalist.org (covers all U.S.)

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