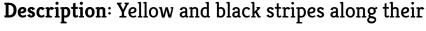




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Golden-ringed Dragonfly

(Cordulegaster boltonii)



body and bright-green eyes.

Predator style: Ambush

Size: Up to 40mm long

Habitat: Acidic gravel bottomed slow streams/

ponds with waterside vegetation

Food: Insects, including other dragonflies

One of the largest and most striking British species of dragonfly. Adults will fly quite far from the water hunting for small insect prey over the heather.

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