

# Have you seen the March Brown?



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Months in flight

Mottled wings

Two tails

'Spot' on all legs



## The Riverfly Partnership Species Survey

### WE NEED YOUR RECORDS OF THE MARCH BROWN!

For anglers, the March brown *Rhytrogena germanica* is one of the most iconic mayflies. Although the species is in decline and under threat across Europe, the UK may be a stronghold. The adult can be distinguished from all other similar mayflies by their early flight, mottled wings and dark spot on each leg. The nymphs live in rivers and streams, hatching into adults in large numbers between late March and the end of April. This hatch often occurs around mid-day and typically lasts for a very short period.

The over-winter development and early flight period of the March brown make it particularly vulnerable to environmental changes in these critical periods. We need to find out where this species occurs in the UK so that we can help protect it. **Your records count!** Please report your sightings by returning this postcard or online at [www.riverflies.org](http://www.riverflies.org)

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