

Sawfly resources list

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Recording scheme

Sawfly records contributed and verified via iRecord (<https://www.brc.ac.uk/irecord/>) are now available on the NBN Atlas: <https://registry.nbnatlas.org/public/showDataResource/dr1953>

The recording scheme website is currently unavailable. BRC is liaising with Liverpool Museum to see if this can be re-established.

British and Irish Sawflies website

Andrew Green has set up a new website to provide identification and photo resources, to sit alongside the sawflies group on Facebook. Andrew says: "It will be developing from an off-the-shelf template (hence the weird things currently on the site). I don't envisage populating the site much before next winter, but will be approaching everyone for help with verified images, species data, etc. The address is www.sawflies.org.uk"

Checklist

- Liston A, Knight G, Sheppard D, Broad G, Livermore L (2014) Checklist of British and Irish Hymenoptera - Sawflies, 'Symphyta'. *Biodiversity Data Journal* 2: e1168. <https://doi.org/10.3897/BDJ.2.e1168>
- 'ECatSym', the electronic world catalogue of Symphyta, is available here: <https://sdei.de/ecatsym/>

Social media

- There is an active and very helpful Facebook group, "British and Irish Sawflies (Symphyta)": <https://www.facebook.com/groups/408749309504332>
- There is also a Yahoo group, which includes well-organised photo galleries and documents: <https://groups.yahoo.com/neo/groups/sawfly/info>

The Facebook group linked above has a number of useful documents in its "Files" section (see list on right), at www.facebook.com/groups/408749309504332/files/

A screenshot of a file list from a Facebook group's 'Files' section. The list contains 16 items, each with a small icon representing the file type (PDF, Document, or Spreadsheet) and the file name. The items are: Dolerus Crib Sheets.pdf (PDF), Dolerus asper brevicornis.pdf (PDF), Tenthredo arcuata group.doc (Document), Sawflies Jackhouse Oswaldtwistle.xlsx (Spreadsheet), Diprionida Viitasaari & Varama 1987.pdf (PDF), Sawfly-larva-to-foodplant-cross-reference.... (PDF), Sawfly larva to foodplant cross-reference.... (Spreadsheet), Family Cimbicidae key to British species(2... (PDF), A CODE OF CONDUCT FOR COLLECTING INSECTS 2... (PDF), Sawfly FB Group Collecting statement.pdf (PDF), Micro rearing by Brian Elliott(1).pdf (PDF), Sawfly rearing tips.doc (Document), Tenthredopsis European Key.pdf (PDF), Benson_Part02c.pdf (PDF), Benson_Part02b.pdf (PDF), and Benson_Part02a.pdf (PDF).

Photo collections

- Flickr group "Sawfly larvae of Britain and Ireland": <https://www.flickr.com/groups/1752406@N25/>
- John Grearson's sawfly photos on Flickr: <https://www.flickr.com/photos/126454211@N06/albums/72157647552201062>
- Steven Falk's sawfly photos on Flickr: <https://www.flickr.com/photos/63075200@N07/collections/72157692203763494/>
- Andrew Green's sawfly photos on Flickr: <https://www.flickr.com/photos/103544638@N03/sets/72157676460119135/>
- Malcom Storey's Bioimages: <https://www.bioimages.org.uk/html/Symphyta.htm>
- NatureSpot photo galleries: <https://www.naturespot.org.uk/taxonomy/term/19410>
- Flickr photo guides by D & JP Balmer (based in France?): <https://www.flickr.com/photos/d-jp-balmer/sets/72157627643442807>
- German sawflies (Pflanzenwespen) photo gallery: <http://www.rutkies.de/bienenen-4/>

ID keys and guides

- The Natural History Museum guide to genus *Tenthredo*, by Krisztina Fekete:
<http://www.nhm.ac.uk/content/dam/nhmwww/take-part/identification-trainers/sawflies-guide-id-trainees.pdf>
- Benson's RES keys are available to download at: <https://www.royensoc.co.uk/out-print-handbooks>
- Quinlan, J. and Gauld, I.D. 1981. Symphyta (except Tenthredinoidea) Hymenoptera. *Handbooks for the Identification of British Insects VI, Part 2(a)*: 1-67. This is a more recent RES key, which is simpler than Benson's keys but less detailed: <https://www.royensoc.co.uk/publications/handbooks/symphyta-except-tenthredinidae-hymenoptera>
- Adam Wright's FSC key to genera (British Sawflies: A Key to the Adults of Genera Occurring in Britain) appears to be out of print but can still be found via online booksellers.
- Haris, A., and Gyurkovics, H. 2014. The genus *Tenthredopsis* Costa, 1859 in Hungary (Hymenoptera: Symphyta). *Natura Somogyiensis* 24 99–124:
https://www.researchgate.net/publication/272292957_The_genus_Tenthredopsis_Costa_1859_in_Hungary_Hymenoptera_Symphyta
- Mike Hackston has collated keys to many sawflies groups, based on RES keys with added illustrations:
<https://sites.google.com/site/mikesinsectkeyshymenoptera/Home/hymenoptera/symphyta>

Other resources

Andrew Halstead's "Sawflies – a beginner's guide" presentation from the Bedfordshire Natural History Society conference in 2016:

<https://www.bnhs.co.uk/conf/conf2016/BNHSConf2016%20-%20Sawflies.pdf>

County sawfly recorders

- Andrew Green (Bedfordshire, active on iRecord)
- Andy Musgrove (Norfolk, active on iRecord)
- David Nicholls (Leicestershire, active on NatureSpot, which links to iRecord)
- David Sheppard (Lincolnshire)
- Ian Andrews (Yorkshire)
- John Grearson (Wiltshire)
- Jenni Stockan (Orkney, Highlands and NE Scotland) – see Orkney sawfly list at https://www.researchgate.net/publication/292608777_Orkney_sawflies_Hymenoptera_A_rich_island_fauna
- Laurence Clemons (Kent)
- Stuart Dunlop (Northern Ireland via CEDaR records centre, active on iRecord)

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