

ROSE CHAFER BEETLE

The Latin name for this beetle is *Cetonia aurata*.

This is a medium sized beetle with a body length of 2 to 3cm. The adult is bright metallic green, sometimes tinged with copper.

It appears in early summer in the midlands and south of England on various flowers, especially roses (hence the name).

The larvae live in dead wood, especially willows and poplars, or other rotting material.