

GREENBOTTLE

The Latin name for the Greenbottle is *Lucilia caesar*.

This is a very common fly that can be found throughout the country in gardens and woodland, from April to October.

This fly has a striking metallic green body, with little hair. The green colour may gradually change to reddish-copper as the insect ages. The male spends most of his time feeding at flowers, or basking in the sun.

The Greenbottles mainly lay their eggs in rotting carcasses, seeking the soft parts that are shaded from the sun.