

## VIOLET GROUND BEETLE

The Latin name for this beetle is *Carabus violaceus*.

This is a large, flightless and very active beetle with a body length of about 2.5cm. It is a rather slender insect, with dark blue-black wing-cases and a violet-edged thorax.

It is found almost everywhere, especially from June to August.

By night it attacks and devours animals such as earthworms, and in the daytime it lurks under moss, bark, stones and logs.

The species passes the winter as a carnivorous larva.