

HORNET

The Latin name for the hornet is *Vespa crabro*.

This wasp is perhaps the most docile as well as being the rarest of British social wasps. It is found only in well-timbered districts.

This is a wasp-like insect with a body length of about 3cm. The body is mainly banded yellow and red, with some black.

Hornet is a name commonly applied to members of a group of social wasps that make nests of papery material composed of chewed plant foliage and wood. An egg-shaped paper envelope often surrounds the nest. Annual colonies are constructed in buildings or hollow trees. The same site may be used several years running.