

## Starter key to the UK *Pollenia*.

All identifications should be confirmed from a full technical key.

\* Not known in Highland.

\*\*See image.

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| <p>1. <b>Abdomen shiny black, no dusting.</b><br/>Abdomen with conspicuous grey dusting.</p>  | <p><i>P. amentaria</i><br/>2</p>                      |
| <p>2. <b>Thorax with a dark central stripe at the front.</b><br/>Thorax lacking a dark median stripe.</p>   | <p><i>P. vagabunda</i><br/>3</p>                      |
| <p>3. <b>Node on underwing with long pale hairs**.</b><br/>Node on underwing bare.</p>  | <p><i>P. pediculata</i><br/>4</p>                     |
| <p>4. <b>Rear spiracle on thorax dark, brownish**.</b><br/>Rear spiracle on thorax pale, yellowish.</p>   | <p><i>P. labialis</i><br/>5</p>                       |
| <p>5. <b>Facial keel absent**.</b><br/>Facial keel present.</p>   | <p><i>P. griseotomentosa</i><br/>6</p>                |
| <p>6. <b>Palps mostly yellow.</b><br/>Palps dark.</p>   | <p><i>P. viatica</i>*<br/>7</p>                       |
| <p>7. <b>Mid and hind femora with yellow hairs below; mid tibia with 1 anterodorsal bristle (pointing outward and forward). Males with sparse, rough, slanting hairs below abdomen.</b><br/><b>Mid and hind femora with black hairs below; mid tibia with 2-3 anterodorsal bristles. Males with dense, fine, erect hairs below abdomen.</b></p> | <p><i>P. angustigena</i><br/><br/><i>P. rudis</i></p> |

