

Oregon Odonata Early/Late Flight Dates

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Aeshnidae (Darners)

<i>Aeshna canadensis</i> (Canada Darner)	22 Jun – 09 Oct
<i>Aeshna constricta</i> (Lance-tipped Darner)	02 Jul – 07 Oct
<i>Aeshna interrupta</i> (Variable Darner)	30 May – 19 Oct
<i>Aeshna juncea</i> (Sedge Darner)	09 Jul – 07 Oct
<i>Aeshna palmata</i> (Paddle-tailed Darner)	16 Jun – 16 Nov
<i>Aeshna sitchensis</i> (Zigzag Darner)	21 Aug – 23 Sep
<i>Aeshna subarctica</i> (Subarctic Darner)	24 Jun – 07 Oct
<i>Aeshna tuberculifera</i> (Black-tipped Darner)	25 Jul – 09 Sep
<i>Aeshna umbrosa</i> (Shadow Darner)	28 May – 10 Dec
<i>Aeshna walkeri</i> (Walker's Darner)	15 Jul – 17 Nov
<i>Anax junius</i> (Common Green Darner)	16 Mar – 08 Dec
<i>Rhionaeschna californica</i> (California Darner)	29 Mar – 09 Sep
<i>Rhionaeschna multicolor</i> (Blue-eyed Darner)	09 May – 06 Nov

Petaluridae (Petalails)

<i>Tanypteryx hageni</i> (Black Petaltail)	11 May – 07 Sep
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Gomphidae (Clubtails)

<i>Erpetogomphus compositus</i> (White-belted Ringtail)	10 Jun – 13 Sep
<i>Gomphurus lynnae</i> (Columbia Clubtail)	09 Jun – 17 Aug
<i>Octogomphus specularis</i> (Grappletail)	16 May – 02 Sep
<i>Ophiogomphus bison</i> (Bison Snaketail)	15 May – 20 Aug
<i>Ophiogomphus morrisoni</i> (Great Basin Snaketail)	31 May – 23 Sep
<i>Ophiogomphus occidentis</i> (Sinuous Snaketail)	10 Apr – 10 Sep
<i>Ophiogomphus severus</i> (Pale Snaketail)	15 May – 21 Sep
<i>Phanogomphus kurilis</i> (Pacific Clubtail)	01 May – 10 Sep
<i>Stylurus olivaceus</i> (Olive Clubtail)	18 Jun – 20 Oct

Cordulegastridae (Spiketails)

<i>Cordulegaster dorsalis</i> (Pacific Spiketail)	31 May – 26 Sep
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Macromiidae (Cruisers)

<i>Macromia magnifica</i> (Western River Cruiser)	03 Jun – 03 Sep
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Corduliidae (Emeralds)

<i>Cordulia shurtleffii</i> (American Emerald)	06 Apr – 07 Sep
<i>Epitheca canis</i> (Beaverpond Baskettail)	19 Apr – 28 Jul
<i>Epitheca spinigera</i> (Spiny Baskettail)	17 Apr – 26 Aug
<i>Somatochlora albicincta</i> (Ringed Emerald)	21 Jun – 12 Oct
<i>Somatochlora minor</i> (Ocellated Emerald)	27 Jun – 12 Aug
<i>Somatochlora semicircularis</i> (Mountain Emerald)	31 May – 22 Sep
<i>Somatochlora walshii</i> (Brush-tipped Emerald)	24 Jun – 22 Sep

Libellulidae (Skimmers)

<i>Erythemis collocata</i> (Western Pondhawk)	26 Apr – 10 Oct
<i>Ladona julia</i> (Chalk-fronted Corporal)	31 May – 07 Sep
<i>Leucorrhinia glacialis</i> (Crimson-ringed Whiteface)	01 Jun – 13 Sep
<i>Leucorrhinia hudsonica</i> (Hudsonian Whiteface)	12 May – 14 Sep
<i>Leucorrhinia intacta</i> (Dot-tailed Whiteface)	14 Apr – 04 Sep
<i>Leucorrhinia proxima</i> (Belted Whiteface)	02 Jul – 18 Aug
<i>Libellula comanche</i> (Comanche Skimmer)	26 May – 18 Sep
<i>Libellula composita</i> (Bleached Skimmer)	27 May – 10 Oct
<i>Libellula forensis</i> (Eight-spotted Skimmer)	20 Apr – 23 Oct
<i>Libellula luctuosa</i> (Widow Skimmer)	29 May – 17 Oct
<i>Libellula nodisticta</i> (Hoary Skimmer)	24 May – 24 Aug

<i>Libellula pulchella</i> (Twelve-spotted Skimmer)	12 May – 29 Oct
<i>Libellula quadrimaculata</i> (Four-spotted Skimmer)	15 Apr – 30 Sep
<i>Libellula saturata</i> (Flame Skimmer)	21 May – 20 Oct
<i>Pachydiplax longipennis</i> (Blue Dasher)	07 May – 15 Oct
<i>Paltothemis lineatipes</i> (Red Rock Skimmer)	16 Jun – 26 Aug
<i>Pantala flavescens</i> (Wandering Glider)	07 Jun – 01 Sep
<i>Pantala hymenaea</i> (Spot-winged Glider)	29 Apr – 24 Sep
<i>Plathemis lydia</i> (Common Whitetail)	20 Apr – 03 Oct
<i>Plathemis subornata</i> (Desert Whitetail)	19 May – 10 Oct
<i>Sympetrum corruptum</i> (Variegated Meadowhawk)	03 Jan – 09 Dec*
<i>Sympetrum costiferum</i> (Saffron-winged Meadowhawk)	22 Jun – 06 Nov
<i>Sympetrum danae</i> (Black Meadowhawk)	25 Jun – 24 Oct
<i>Sympetrum illotum</i> (Cardinal Meadowhawk)	26 Mar – 11 Nov
<i>Sympetrum internum</i> (Cherry-faced Meadowhawk)	08 Jul – 02 Oct
<i>Sympetrum madidum</i> (Red-veined Meadowhawk)	06 May – 22 Sep
<i>Sympetrum obrusum</i> (White-faced Meadowhawk)	08 Jul – 14 Oct
<i>Sympetrum pallipes</i> (Striped Meadowhawk)	11 Apr – 22 Nov
<i>Sympetrum semicinctum</i> (Band-winged Meadowhawk)	01 Jun – 16 Oct
<i>Sympetrum vicinum</i> (Autumn Meadowhawk)	09 Jul – 10 Dec
<i>Tramea lacerata</i> (Black Saddlebags)	14 May – 20 Oct
<i>Tramea onusta</i> (Red Saddlebags)	29 Jul – 24 Sep

Calopterygidae (Broad-winged Damsels)

<i>Calopteryx aequabilis</i> (River Jewelwing)	13 May – 22 Sep
<i>Hetaerina americana</i> (American Rubyspot)	02 May – 03 Nov

Lestidae (Spreadwings)

<i>Archilestes californicus</i> (California Spreadwing)	18 Jun – 14 Nov
<i>Lestes congener</i> (Spotted Spreadwing)	17 May – 24 Nov
<i>Lestes disjunctus</i> (Northern Spreadwing)	30 May – 17 Oct
<i>Lestes dryas</i> (Emerald Spreadwing)	02 May – 03 Nov
<i>Lestes forcipatus</i> (Sweetflag Spreadwing)	27 Jul – 10 Sep
<i>Lestes stultus</i> (Black Spreadwing)	09 May – 03 Aug
<i>Lestes unguiculatus</i> (Lyre-tipped Spreadwing)	17 May – 06 Oct

Coenagrionidae (Pond Damsels)

<i>Amphiagrion abbreviatum</i> (Western Red Damsel)	24 Apr – 30 Aug
<i>Argia agrioides</i> (California Dancer)	14 May – 19 Sep
<i>Argia alberta</i> (Paiute Dancer)	30 Apr – 10 Oct
<i>Argia emma</i> (Emma's Dancer)	22 May – 08 Oct
<i>Argia lugens</i> (Sooty Dancer)	09 Jun – 17 Oct
<i>Argia nahuana</i> (Aztec Dancer)	26 Jul – 25 Sep
<i>Argia vivida</i> (Vivid Dancer)	19 Apr – 24 Oct
<i>Coenagrion resolutum</i> (Taiga Bluet)	27 May – 28 Aug
<i>Enallagma anna</i> (River Bluet)	28 May – 10 Oct
<i>Enallagma annexum</i> (Northern Bluet)	01 Apr – 17 Oct
<i>Enallagma boreale</i> (Boreal Bluet)	01 May – 04 Nov
<i>Enallagma carunculatum</i> (Tule Bluet)	06 Apr – 17 Nov
<i>Enallagma civile</i> (Familiar Bluet)	26 May – 02 Nov
<i>Enallagma clausum</i> (Alkali Bluet)	26 May – 08 Oct
<i>Ischnura barberi</i> (Desert Forktail)	18 Sep
<i>Ischnura cervula</i> (Pacific Forktail)	30 Jan – 28 Oct
<i>Ischnura denticollis</i> (Black-fronted Forktail)	08 Mar – 03 Nov
<i>Ischnura erratica</i> (Swift Forktail)	13 Mar – 26 Aug
<i>Ischnura perparva</i> (Western Forktail)	30 Mar – 02 Nov
<i>Nehalennia irene</i> (Sedge Sprite)	18 Jun – 27 Aug

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January

- 3 *Sympetrum corruptum* (Variegated Meadowhawk)*
- 30 *Ischnura cervula* (Pacific Forktail)

March

- 8 *Ischnura denticollis* (Black-fronted Forktail)
- 13 *Ischnura erratica* (Swift Forktail)
- 16 *Anax junius* (Common Green Darner)
- 26 *Sympetrum illotum* (Cardinal Meadowhawk)
- 29 *Rhionaeschna californica* (California Darner)
- 30 *Ischnura perparva* (Western Forktail)

April

- 1 *Enallagma annexum* (Northern Bluet)
- 6 *Enallagma carunculatum* (Tule Bluet)
Cordulia shurtleffii (American Emerald)
- 10 *Ophiogomphus occidentis* (Sinuous Snaketail)
- 11 *Sympetrum pallipes* (Striped Meadowhawk)
- 14 *Leucorrhinia intacta* (Dot-tailed Whiteface)
- 15 *Libellula quadrimaculata* (Four-spotted Skimmer)
- 17 *Epithea spinigera* (Spiny Baskettail)
- 19 *Argia vivida* (Vivid Dancer)
Epithea canis (Beaverpond Baskettail)
- 20 *Libellula forensis* (Eight-spotted Skimmer)
Plathemis lydia (Common Whitetail)
- 24 *Amphiagrion abbreviatum* (Western Red Damsel)
- 26 *Erythemis collocata* (Western Pondhawk)
- 29 *Pantala hymenaea* (Spot-winged Glider)
- 30 *Argia alberta* (Paiute Dancer)

May

- 1 *Enallagma boreale* (Boreal Bluet)
Phanogomphus kurilis (Pacific Clubtail)
- 2 *Hetaerina americana* (American Rubyspot)
Lestes dryas (Emerald Spreadwing)
- 6 *Sympetrum madidum* (Red-veined Meadowhawk)
- 7 *Pachydiplax longipennis* (Blue Dasher)
- 9 *Rhionaeschna multicolor* (Blue-eyed Darner)
Lestes stultus (Black Spreadwing)
- 11 *Tanypteryx hageni* (Black Petaltail)
- 12 *Leucorrhinia hudsonica* (Hudsonian Whiteface)
Libellula pulchella (Twelve-spotted Skimmer)
- 13 *Calopteryx aequabilis* (River Jewelwing)
- 14 *Tamea lacerata* (Black Saddlebags)
Argia agrioides (California Dancer)
- 15 *Ophiogomphus severus* (Pale Snaketail)
Ophiogomphus bison (Bison Snaketail)
- 16 *Octogomphus specularis* (Grapple-tail)
- 17 *Lestes congener* (Spotted Spreadwing)
Lestes unguiculatus (Lyre-tipped Spreadwing)
- 19 *Plathemis subornata* (Desert Whitetail)
- 21 *Libellula saturata* (Flame Skimmer)
- 22 *Argia emma* (Emma's Dancer)
- 24 *Libellula nodisticta* (Hoary Skimmer)

May (cont.)

- 26 *Libellula comanche* (Comanche Skimmer)
Enallagma civile (Familiar Bluet)
Enallagma clausum (Alkali Bluet)
- 27 *Coenagrion resolutum* (Taiga Bluet)
Libellula composita (Bleached Skimmer)
- 28 *Aeshna umbrosa* (Shadow Darner)
Enallagma anna (River Bluet)
- 29 *Libellula luctuosa* (Widow Skimmer)
- 30 *Aeshna interrupta* (Variable Darner)
Lestes disjunctus (Northern Spreadwing)
- 31 *Ophiogomphus morrisoni* (Great Basin Snaketail)
Ladona julia (Chalk-fronted Corporal)
Cordulegaster dorsalis (Pacific Spiketail)
Somatochlora semicircularis (Mountain Emerald)

June

- 1 *Leucorrhinia glacialis* (Crimson-ringed Whiteface)
Sympetrum semicinctorum (Band-winged Meadowhawk)
- 3 *Macromia magnifica* (Western River Cruiser)
- 7 *Pantala flavescens* (Wandering Glider)
- 9 *Gomphurus lynnae* (Columbia Clubtail)
Argia lugens (Sooty Dancer)
- 10 *Erpetogomphus compositus* (White-belted Ringtail)
- 16 *Paltothemis lineatipes* (Red Rock Skimmer)
Aeshna palmata (Paddle-tailed Darner)
- 18 *Archilestes californicus* (California Spreadwing)
Nehalennia irene (Sedge Sprite)
Stylurus olivaceus (Olive Clubtail)
- 21 *Somatochlora albicincta* (Ringed Emerald)
- 22 *Aeshna canadensis* (Canada Darner)
Sympetrum costiferum (Saffron-winged Meadowhawk)
- 24 *Aeshna subarctica* (Subarctic Darner)
Somatochlora walshii (Brush-tipped Emerald)
- 25 *Sympetrum danae* (Black Meadowhawk)
- 27 *Somatochlora minor* (Ocellated Emerald)

July

- 2 *Leucorrhinia proxima* (Belted Whiteface)
Aeshna constricta (Lance-tipped Darner)
- 8 *Sympetrum internum* (Cherry-faced Meadowhawk)
Sympetrum obtusum (White-faced Meadowhawk)
- 9 *Sympetrum vicinum* (Autumn Meadowhawk)
Aeshna juncea (Sedge Darner)
- 15 *Aeshna walkeri* (Walker's Darner)
- 25 *Lestes forcipatus* (Sweetflag Spreadwing)
Aeshna tuberculifera (Black-tipped Darner)
- 26 *Argia nahuana* (Aztec Dancer)
- 29 *Tamea onusta* (Red Saddlebags)

August

- 21 *Aeshna sitchensis* (Zigzag Darner)

September

- 18 *Ischnura barberi* (Desert Forktail)

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August

- 3 *Lestes stultus* (Black Spreadwing)
12 *Somatochlora minor* (Ocellated Emerald)
17 *Gomphurus lynnae* (Columbia Clubtail)
18 *Leucorrhinia proxima* (Belted Whiteface)
20 *Ophiogomphus bison* (Bison Snaketail)
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September

- 1 *Pantala flavescens* (Wandering Glider)
2 *Octogomphus specularis* (Grapple-tail)
3 *Macromia magnifica* (Western River Cruiser)
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24 *Tramea onusta* (Red Saddlebags)
Pantala hymenaea (Spot-winged Glider)
25 *Argia nahuana* (Aztec Dancer)
26 *Cordulegaster dorsalis* (Pacific Spiketail)
30 *Libellula quadrimaculata* (Four-spotted Skimmer)

October

- 2 *Sympetrum internum* (Cherry-faced Meadowhawk)
3 *Plathemis lydia* (Common Whitetail)
6 *Lestes unguiculatus* (Lyre-tipped Spreadwing)
7 *Aeshna juncea* (Sedge Darner)
Aeshna subarctica (Subarctic Darner)
Aeshna constricta (Lance-tipped Darner)
8 *Enallagma clausum* (Alkali Bluet)
Argia emma (Emma's Dancer)
9 *Aeshna canadensis* (Canada Darner)
10 *Erythemis collocata* (Western Pondhawk)
Libellula composita (Bleached Skimmer)
Plathemis subornata (Desert Whitetail)
Argia alberta (Paiute Dancer)
Enallagma anna (River Bluet)
12 *Somatochlora albicincta* (Ringed Emerald)
14 *Sympetrum obtrusum* (White-faced Meadowhawk)
15 *Pachydiplax longipennis* (Blue Dasher)
16 *Sympetrum semicinctum* (Band-winged Meadowhawk)
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Sympetrum danae (Black Meadowhawk)
28 *Ischnura cervula* (Pacific Forktail)
29 *Libellula pulchella* (Twelve-spotted Skimmer)

November

- 2 *Ischnura perparva* (Western Forktail)
Enallagma civile (Familiar Bluet)
3 *Lestes dryas* (Emerald Spreadwing)
Ischnura denticollis (Black-fronted Forktail)
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17 *Enallagma carunculatum* (Tule Bluet)
Aeshna walkeri (Walker's Darner)
22 *Sympetrum pallipes* (Striped Meadowhawk)
24 *Lestes congener* (Spotted Spreadwing)

December

- 8 *Anax junius* (Common Green Darner)
9 *Sympetrum corruptum* (Variegated Meadowhawk)*
10 *Aeshna umbrosa* (Shadow Darner)
Sympetrum vicinum (Autumn Meadowhawk)

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