

# Ichneumonid wasp

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**Adults:** Black body, light legs. Long antennae. Abdomen is longer than head and thorax combined. Long ovipositor (females).

**Eggs:** Deposited on or in host larvae or pupae.

**Larvae:** One or many per host.

**Pupae:** Occur inside the host body (one larva per host) or outside the host body (multiple larvae per host). Multiple cocoons may be visible on or near host.

**Diet:** Common hosts include armyworms and European corn borer.

Braconids and Ichneumonids can be confused. Both groups are completely beneficial parasitoids.



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Length: 6-26 mm (commonly

– may be larger)

6 mm

26 mm