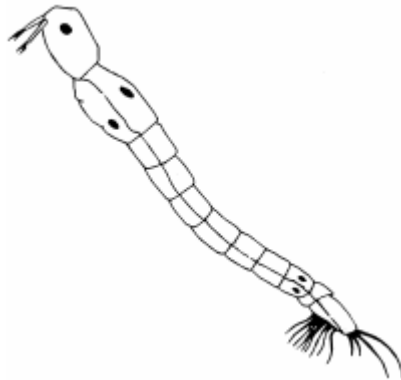


# Phantom Midge Larvae

**Latin name:** *Charborus species*



**Feeds on:** Water fleas and cyclops.

**Is eaten by:** Carnivores such as Water spiders and fish.

**Size:** Up to 10mm

**Habitat:** Open water

**Oxygen adaptation:** Absorb oxygen across their 'skin'.

**Did you know?** Phantom midge larvae are the ultimate invisible killer submarines – they are transparent, so it is difficult for their prey to spot them. They have four swim bladders, which they inflate or deflate to change their height in the water. They hatch out into non-biting midges.

