



**Syrphidae member, *Helophilus***, pictured feeding on [\*Symphyotrichum novae-angliae\*](#) (New England aster), is widespread throughout the northern hemisphere, concentrated mostly in Europe and the United States. This fly is a wasp mimic, copying the colors (yellow and black) and patterns (longitudinal bands of yellow and black on the thorax and transverse stripes on the abdomen) of the common yellow jacket. It feeds on flower nectar and pollen. Its larvae are aquatic.

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