

# Dragonfly



- Dragonflies are among the oldest living insects. They have evolved over 300 million years, predating the dinosaurs. Prehistoric dragonflies had wingspans of up to 70 centimetres, making them some of the largest insects ever to have existed.
- They are known for their amazing acrobatic skills, being able to hover, change direction instantaneously and even fly backwards. Their flying ability has inspired modern drone technology.
- Seeing their delicate beauty and the way their wings reflect the sunlight, it's hard to believe the transformation they have undergone from being drab, ordinary looking nymphs.
- Try to rediscover your sense of awe and wonder, whether it's marvelling at dragonflies, or something else in the natural world. Maybe go on a wonder-wander in a local green – or blue – space.

**“Magic is seeing the wonder in nature’s every little thing, seeing how wonderful the fireflies are and how magical are the dragonflies.”** Ama H.Vanniarachchy