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Blue mud dauber

Chalybion californicum

The blue mud dauber is a solitary wasp known for its striking metallic blue coloration and slender body. Unlike social wasps, blue mud daubers do not form colonies, instead building individual nests ...

Quick facts

Classification: Invertebrate

Family: Sphecidae

Habitat: Open fields, meadows, woodlands, and areas near human habitation

Diet: Carnivore

Conservation status: Least Concern

Lifespan: 1-2 years

Weight: 0.02-0.05 grams

Scientific name: *Chalybion californicum*

Did you know?

- Blue mud daubers are among the few natural predators of the black widow spider, helping to keep its populations in check.
- Blue mud daubers recycle abandoned nests of other wasps for their own use. Their vivid blue color helps deter certain predators. They are important i...

What I learned
