Andrena (Hym., Apoidea) on the Island of Öland, Sweden, with Key to Species. I.

Subgenus Andrena (s. s.) Fabricius

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Abstract

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Six species of Andrena F., A. apicata Sm., A. clarkella (K.), A. fucata Sm., A. helvola (L.), A. lapponica Zett. and A. praecox (Scop.) classified to the subgenus Andrena s.s. are found on

Öland. A. apicata is here reported from Sweden for the first time. Key to species and illustrations of important characteristics for the species and subgenus are given. A seventh Swedish species, A. varians (Ross.) is included in the key. The phenology of the common species on Öland is shown.

Introduction

The genus Andrena F. in the superfamily Apoidea is rich in species. The number of species in Sweden is estimated to be about 60 and divided between 20 subgenera. A study of behaviour releasing chemical signals of Andrena-bees at the Ecological Station of Uppsala University on Öland made obvious the need for a useful key to the species of this area, as well as for all of Sweden. The available literature is outdated (Aurivillius 1903, Jørgensen 1921, Stoeckhert 1930, v.d. Vecht 1928) and illustrations of important characteristics are often lacking.

This study of the subgenus Andrena sensu stricto is intended to be the first step in a taxonomical survey of the genus Andrena on Öland. Our intention is also to compile a simple key for determination, rich in illustrations, for some of the subgenera on the island Öland. If possible we will include most of the species occurring in Sweden.

Our division into subgenera follows

Warncke (1968), as also the taxonomical nomenclature (Warncke 1967).

The references also include the literature studied but not quoted in the text.

Material

For this investigation we studied collections belonging to the Department of Entomology, University of Uppsala, Professor Bertil Kullenberg, Mr. Björn Cederberg and the authors. A few individuals studied, representing species missing or poorly represented in these collections, were borrowed from the Department of Entomology, University of Lund and the Swedish Museum of Natural History, Stockholm. As references for identification of the species we used collections at the Department of Entomology, University of Uppsala and at the Ecological Station of Uppsala University on Öland, determined by J. D. Alfken and K. Warncke. Table 1 gives the numbers of studied specimens from Öland.

Studied specimens belonging to private collections are deposited at the Department of Ento-

Table I. Number of specimens studied of Swedish Andrena s.s. — species from Öland.

| Species | Number of | |
|--------------------|-----------|-----|
| | 9 | 1 8 |
| A. apicata Sm | 1 | _ |
| A. clarkella (K.) | 5 | 4 |
| A. fucata Sm | 12 | 13 |
| A. helvola (L.) | 22 | 31 |
| A. praecox (Scop.) | 35 | 42 |
| A. lapponica Zett | 1 | - |
| A. varians (Ross.) | - | |

mology, University of Uppsala and at the Ecological Station of Uppsala University on Öland.

The phenology of the species, based on specimens collected on Öland and observed during the field studies during 1971—1975, is shown in Fig. 1.

Öland has a varied composition of biotopes (Sterner 1950.) Its geographical location and the many large steppe areas mean that elements of the East-European bee-fauna might possibly occur. Our specimens have generally been collected in the biotopes of the deciduous woods and the rural landscape on the southern part of Öland.

Subgeneric identification

The subgenus *Andrena* s.s. has a holarctic distribution. About twelve species are recognized north of the Alps.

Important characteristics of subgenus Andrena s.s.:

♂: Long mandibles distinctly crossed before the tips (Fig. 2 D) and in most cases with a more or less large, basal tooth (Figs. 2 D and 3).

Angled genal area (Fig. 2B).

Pronotum with a marked ridge (Figs. 2 C). Eighth abdominal sternite hardly enlarged apically (Fig. 4).

General structure of genitalia (Figs. 2 N and 5).

Q: Trapezoidal shape of process of labrum (Figs. 2 A and 6).

Clypeus flat to weakly convex.

Pronotum with a marked ridge (Fig. 2C).

Basal area of the propodeum with slender wrinkles at the basis (Fig. $2\,\mathrm{E}$).

Inner hind tibial spur not enlarged (Fig. 2 G, cf. H—J).

Pygidial plate with a sharp edged, raised, triangular area in the middle (Fig. 2 K, cf. L—M).

For the separation of the other subgenera of *Andrena*, Warncke (1968) also uses, for example, the pollen baskets of the propodeum (Fig. 2), the malar area (Fig. 2 A) and the preoccipital ridge (Fig. 2 B).

The main component in the volatile secretion of the Dufour glands of Andrena s.s. females is geranyl octanoate. All other Andrena species studied including A. fucata belonging to Andrena s.s., produce farnesyl hexanoate (Bergström and Tengö 1974, Tengö and Bergström 1975). The mandibular gland secretions of A. clarkella, A. helvola, A. fucata and A. praecox are species specific (Tengö and Bergström 1976).

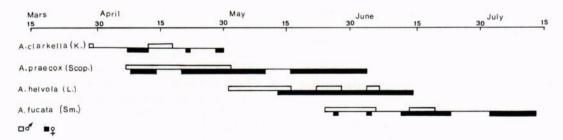


Fig. 1. Phenology of Andrena clarkella (K.), A. praecox (Scop.), A. helvola (L.), and A. fucata Sm. on Öland.

Remarks and key to species

In the illustrations we have the intention of giving an average picture of the limited variations that occur, e.g. the variable length and form of the basal tooth of the male mandibles necessitates the examination of both mandibles; the shagreened and punctured parts of clypeus of the females are variable in distribution and strength.

The colours of the coat have to be considered only as a complement useful for young and fresh individuals. The aim of the key is to enable the determination of old and worn specimens, regardless of coat colouring.

Definitions. Length is the distance between face, head vertically, and tip of pygidial plate. Face is the area between the inner margins of the compound eyes, the lower margin of the median occllus and the median apical margin of clypeus. Lower part of the face is the area in front of the lower margin of antennal attachments.

Abbreviations:

| Proc. of labr. | Process of labrum |
|------------------|---|
| Tergite | Surface structure of second abdominal tergite |
| Hair-col. face | Colour of the coat of lower part of the face |
| Hair-col. thorax | Colour of the coat of thorax dorsally |
| Mand. tooth | Basal tooth of the mandibles |
| Spec. remarks | Special remarks of the species |

Fig. 1 concerns the phenology of the species collected on Öland. When days of collection are separated by a maximum of five days without collections, they have been connected A. apicata and A. lapponica which are few in number in collections from Öland are not included. The figure indicates the relative abundance of the species.

Material studied but not collected by the team at the Ecological Station is acknowledged in connection with species remarks below.

Andrena apicata Smith (batava Pérez)

Slightly emarginate

♀ Proc. of labr.:

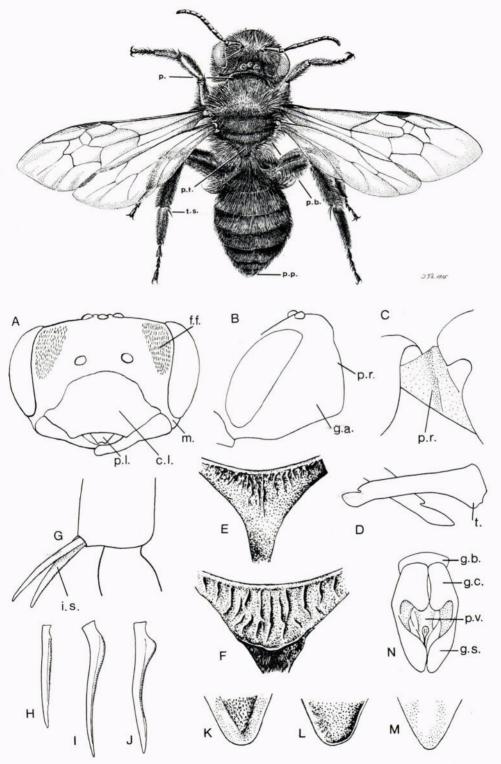
| er er n | Clypeus: | dening in the lower par and all well delimited by dense punctuate and shag reened areas | | |
|---------------|---------------|--|--|--|
| n | Tergite: | Finely shagreened, spar- sely and shallowly punc- tuate | | |
| ıd | Scopa: | Two-coloured, blackish brown/yellowish white | | |
| er | Haircol. face | Blackish brown with some whitish yellow hair | | |
| ıx es | Spec. remarks | Apical margins of abdom- inal tergites yellowish transparent | | |
| es | Length: | 12—14 mm | | |

Fig. 2. Basic morphologic characteristics for subgeneric identification of *Andrena*-bees.

Main figure: Andrena (s.s.) helvola (L.) Q (p=pronotum, see also C; p.t.=propodeal triangle, see also E, F; t.s.=tibial spurs, see also G—J; p.p.=pygidial plate, see also K—M; p.b.=pollenbasket of propodeum).

- A. Frontal view of Andrena (s.s.) female head. (cl.=clypeus; p.l.=process of labrum; m.= malar area; f.f.=facial fovea.)
- B. Lateral view of male Andrena head. (g.a.= general area; p.r.=postgeneral ridge).
- C. Lateral left view of pronotum with pronotal ridge, (p.r.).
- D. Mandibles of A. (s.s.) male. (t.=tooth).

- E. Propodeal triangle, dorsal view of A. (s.s.) helvola (L.).
- F. Same of A. (Biareolina) haemorrhoa (F.).
- G. Left tibia with spurs (i.s.=inner tibial spur.).
- H. Inner tibial spur of A. (Biareolina) haemorrhoa (F.).
- I. Same of A. (Charitandrena) hattorfiana (F.).
- J. Same of A. (Plastandrena) tibialis (K.).
- K. Pygidial plate of A. (s.s.) helvola (L.).
- L. Same of A. (Hoplandrena) carantonica Pér.
- M. Same of A. (Cnemidandrena) nigriceps (K.).
- N. Genitalia of male Andrena (g.b.=gonabase; g.c.=gonocoxite; g.s.=gonostylus; p.v.=penes valvulae).



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In Bremen — late March Flight period:

> to late May, just as A. clarkella (Alfken 1913)

& Mand. tooth:

Long, pointed

Proc. of labr.: Spec. remarks: Square, slightly emarginate Eighth sternite apically

not emarginate

Haircol. thorax: Genitalia:

Dirty brownish grey Gonostyli apically broadly

rounded

Length: Flight period: 8-12 mm See ♀ above

Studied Swedish material: 2 3 3 Sk, Hälsingborg, 27/4 1931, May 1917, leg. O. Ringdahl, in Department of Entomology, Lund; 1 ♀ Öl, Torslunda, 11/5 1951, leg. B. Kullenberg.

A. clarkella (Kirby)

♀ Proc. of labr.:

Apically square and slightly emarginate

Clypeus:

Strongly punctuate and

shagreened with narrow shagreened mid-line

Tergite:

Densely shagreened, dull,

weakly punctuate

Scopa:

One-coloured, reddish yel-

low Black

Haircol. face:

Spec. remarks: Except for thorax dorsally

> (brownish red), scopa and hind tarsi (rusty brown)

the coat is black

Length:

12-14 mm Flight period: Late March to early May

& Mand. tooth:

Missing

Proc. of labr.:

Apically square, very

weakly emarginate

Haircol, thorax:

Genitalia:

Dirtily grevish brown Large opening in penes

valvulae. Lateral view of penes valvulae character-

istic

Length:

10-12 mm

Flight period:

Late March to mid-April

(Alfken 1913)

A. fucata Smith

♀ Proc. of labr.:

Short and wide, apically

Clypeus:

deeply emarginate Mid-line in the apical part

diffuse, shiny and wide-

ning. Punctures shallow

and scattered

Shiny, finely shagreened, Tergite:

sparsely punctuate

Scopa: Two-coloured, light

brownish red/vellowish

white

Haircol, face: Yellowish white with some

dark hair

Spec. remarks: Outer joints of the flagella

> more or less light brown. Hind tarsi more or less

vellowish brown

Length: 11-12 mm

Flight period: Late May to mid-July.

Short, pointed, the tip forms a right angle

Proc. of labr.:

Emarginate, broad Brownish red

Haircol. thorax: Spec. remarks:

Hind basitarsi transparent

brownish yellow

Genitalia:

Gonostyli elongate and inner apical margin concave. Lateral view of penes valvulae charac-

teristic

Length: 7.5—10 mm

Flight period:

Late May to mid-June

A. helvola (Linnæus)

♀ Proc. of labr.:

Trapeziform, apically

rounded and very weakly

emarginate

Clypeus:

In the lower part the midline widening and with a transverse wavy sculpture,

punctuate and shagreened

Tergite:

Distinctly shagreened including dense, rugously

edged punctures

Scopa:

Two-coloured, light reddish brown/greyish white

Whitish vellow

Haircol. face:

Spec. remarks:

Coat of abdominal tergites 1-2 brownish red, 3-4

greyish white 10-12 mm

Length:

Flight period: Early May to mid-June

& Mand. tooth:

Short, weakly obtusely

angled

Proc. of labr.:

Weakly emarginate

Brownish red to brownish Haircol, thorax:

Gonostyli in lateral view Genitalia:

broad

Length:

7.5-10 mm

Flight period:

Early May to early June

A. lapponica Zetterstedt

♀ Proc. of labr.:

Trapeziform, weakly

emarginate

Clypeus:

Mid-line wide and shiny, sparsely, laterally more

densely punctuate

Tergite:

Shiny, weakly shagreened with scattered punctures

Scopa:

Distinctly two-coloured,

blackish brown/greyish

white

Length: Flight period: 11-13 mm

In Bremen during May,

same period as helvola

(Alfken 1913)

A Mand. tooth:

Long, but shorter than 1/2 mandible basis, tip round-

ed and directed forward

Proc. of labr.:

Wide, very weakly emar-

ginate

Haircol. thorax:

Brownish red to brownish

grev

Genitalia:

Mid-dorsal projections of the gonocoxites long. In-

ner margin of the gonostyli with an angled tooth

Length:

9-11 mm

Flight period:

In Bremen - mid-April to

mid-May, starts a little later than helvola (Alfken

1913)

Studied Swedish material: 1 ♀ Öl, Byerum, 22/7, leg. E. Wieslander, in Museum of Natural History, Stockholm and a large material from Sm. Upl. and Lpm in Department of Entomology, Uppsala and our own collections.

A. praecox (Scopoli)

♀ Proc. of labr.:

Narrow, length 2/3 of

basis width

Clypeus:

Mid-line narrow and shagreened. Punctures coarse

and deep

Tergite:

Distinctly shagreened with

dense rugously edged

punctures

Scopa:

Two-coloured grevish brown/whitish grey

Haircol, face:

Dirty yellow brown

Spec. remarks:

Coat of 1-4 abdominal

tergites brownish red

Length:

10-11 mm

Flight period:

Mid-April to early June

Long, apically broadly A Mand. tooth:

rounded

Proc. of labr.:

Wide, more or less weakly

emarginate

Haircol. thorax:

Dirty brownish grey

Spec. remarks:

Eighth abdominal sternite

apically emarginate

Genitalia:

Mid-dorsal projections of the gonocoxite short

Length: 8-10 mm

Flight period:

Early April to early May

A. varians (Rossi)

Q Proc. of labr.:

Trapeziform, basis wide,

not emarginate

Clypeus:

Mid-line wide and more or less shagreened, scattered, laterally more den-

sely punctuate

Tergite:

Shagreened including dense, rugously bound

punctures

Scopa:

Distinctly two-coloured, blackish brown/yellowish

white

Haircol, face:

Blackish brown with some light brown hair

Length:

10-12 mm

Flight period:

In Bremen — April to June, starts after praecox but before helvola (Alfken

1913)

& Mand. tooth:

Very weak

Proc. of labr.:

Square, apically rounded, not emarginate

Haircol. thorax:

Reddish brown

Genitalia:

Gonostyli and penes val-

vulae broad

Length:

7-10 mm

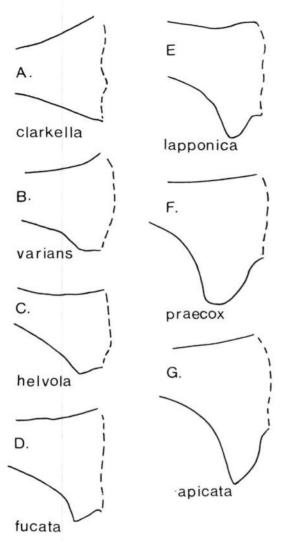


Fig. 3. Base of left mandible of A: A. clarkella (K.), B: A. varians (Ross.), C: A. helvola (L.), D: A. fucata Smith, E: A. lapponica Zett., F: A. praecox (Scop.) and G: A. apicata Smith.

Flight period: In Bremen — early April to late May, somewhat later than helvola (Alfken 1913)

Studied Swedish material: Specimens belonging to the Department of Entomology, Lund. Not recorded from Öland.

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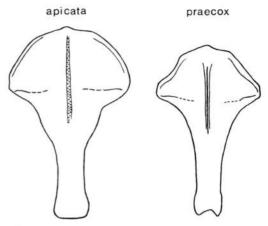


Fig. 4. Eighth abdominal sternite of *A. apicata* Smith and *A. praecox* (Scop.) males (hair not shown).

Key to species

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| 1. | Mand. tooth (=basal tooth of the mandibles) |
|----|--|
| | longer than half the breadth of the mandible |
| | basis (Fig. 3 F, G) 2 |
| | |

-. Mand, tooth shorter or wanting (Fig. 3 A—E)

2. Eight sternite emarginated apically (Fig. 4).

Mand. tooth (Fig. 3 F); genitalia (Fig. 5) ...

A. praecox

-. Mand. tooth pointed (Fig. 3 D; E) 6

-. Mand. tooth small (Fig. 3B; C). Clypeus in the middle shining 5

Mand. tooth small (Fig. 3 C). Genitalia (Fig. 5).
 A. helvola

Process of labrum broader than long and apically roundedly emarginate (cf. Fig. 6).
 Hind tarsi orange yellow. Mand. tooth (Fig. 3 D); genitalia (Fig. 5). A. fucata

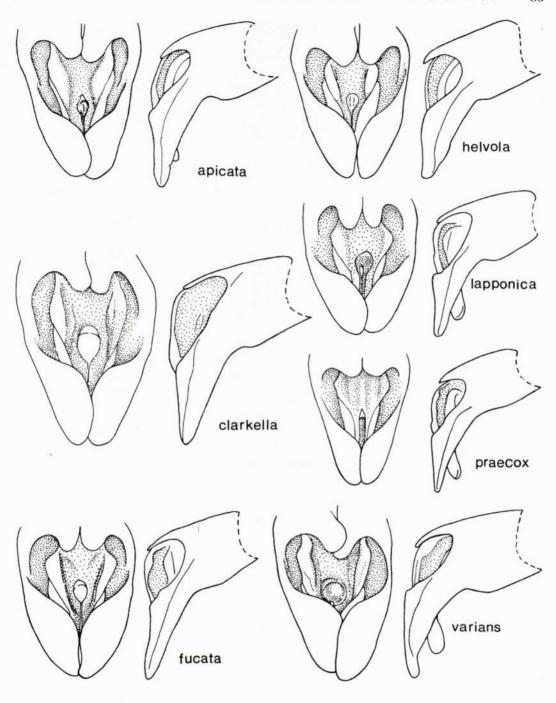


Fig. 5. Dorsal (left) and lateral (right) view of male genitalia of A. apicata Smith, A. clarkella (K.), A. fucata Smith, A. helvola (L.), A. lapponica Zett., A. praecox (Scop.) and A. varians (Ross.). Hair not shown.

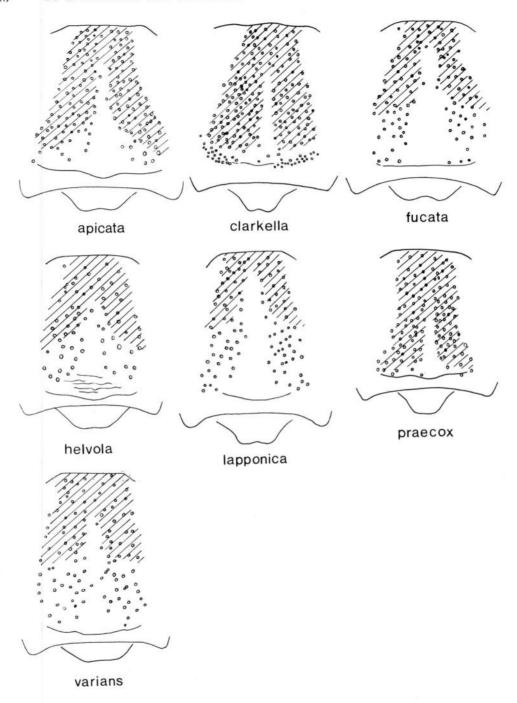
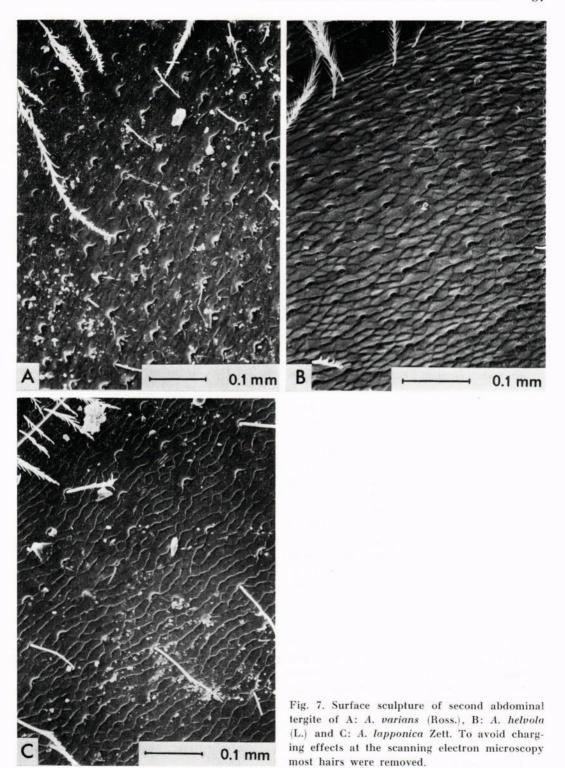


Fig. 6. Surface structures of clypeus and shape of process of labrum and clypeus from females of A. apicata Smith, A. clarkella (K.), A. fucata Smith, A. helvola (L.), A. lapponica Zett., A. praecox (Scop.) and A. varians (Ross.). Hair not shown. Areas marked with lines are shagreened, small circles indicate punctures.



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Process of labrum as long as broad and apically entire (cf. Fig. 6). Mand. tooth (Fig. 3 E); genitalia (Fig. 5). A. lapponica

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- -. Hind tibia coloured otherwise. Abdomen with light hair 2

- Second abdominal tergite, basal part: punctures well defined from the shagreenation (Fig. 7 C). Clypeus light or dark haired . . 5
- -. Clypeus with regular punctures, the mid-line widening in the lower part with a sinuous transverse structure (Fig. 6). Process of labrum somewhat emarginate apically, broader than long. Abdominal tergite 3—4(—5) with adpressed whitish-yellow hair A. helvola
- Process of labrum without a shallow emargination (Fig. 6). Clypeus with dark hair . . 6

Notes on the distribution of *Andrena* (s.s.) species in all Sweden

All Sweden: A. clarkella, A. fucata and A. lapponica, the southern part (62°N): A. helvola and H. praecox and the southernmost part: A. apicata and A. varians.

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