

Springwater Dancer
Argia plana



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Family: Coenagrionidae (narrowwinged damselflies)

Suborder: Zygoptera (damselflies)

Order: Odonata (dragon and damselflies)

Male springwater dancers typically perch on vegetation at short or in water. They can be found along small to medium shallow streams, rocky and sandy, in or out of woodlands. They may use quite small springs or highside trickles, often at tiny seeps with no other species of dancers. This species is considered indicative of springs in some parts of its range. The males are not territorial, but may be spaced about 3 feet apart along streams because of aggressive behaviour toward intruders.

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