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The genus *Chilostoma* Fitzinger, 1833 (Gastropoda Helicidae Ariantinae). The genus *Chilostoma* includes species of mediumsized terrestrial pulmonate gastropod mollusk. The shell is variable, generally whitish or horny yellowish in colour with a single brown band, often indistinct, just above the periphery; 4.5-5 weakly convex whorls and a wide umbilicus. The dimensions range between 10-30 mm. The animal is usually blackish, greyish or brown with long upper tentacle. This genus is widespread in central-northern Italy and in the Alpine regions of France, Switzerland, Germany, Liechtenstein, Austria and Slovenia. In this geographical area it is present with numerous endemic species and subspecies, often with isolated populations. The species of the genus *Chilostoma* prefers humid environments and shady crevices, holes and caves of silicious and limestone rocks, walls and below stones.

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Chilostoma (Chilostoma) adelozona adelozona (Strobel, 1857, Italy: Brescia, Angolo Terme, Valle di Padone (above) Chilostoma (Cingulifera) cingulatum gobanzi (Frauenfeld, 1867), Italy: Brescia, Gargnano, Val Vestino (below)



