

# West Virginia Butterflies

## Zebra Swallowtail - *Eurytides Marcellus*

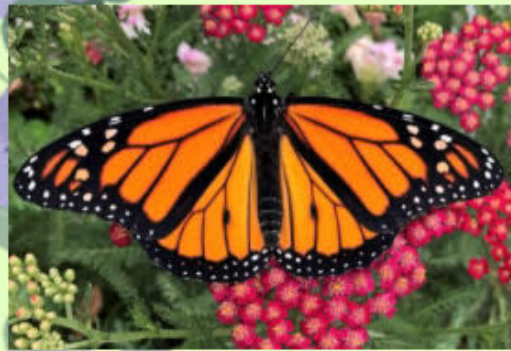
Host Plants - Pawpaw Tree

Attract - Pawpaw Tree, Coneflower, Will Bergamot

Range - Eastern US and Southeastern Canada

Habitat - Moist Low Woodlands, near Rivers and Swamps

Conservation Status - Secure (G5)



## Monarch - *Danaus Plexippus*

Host Plants - Milkweed

Attract - Milkweed, Coneflower, Horseweed, Thistle, Wild Carrot, Blazing Stars, Alfalfa, Indian Hemp, Butterfly Bush, Teasel, Joe-Pye Weed, Common Boneset, Dame's Rocket, Goldenrod, New World Aster, Lilac, Red Cover, Tall Ironweed

Range - Northern, Central US, Southern Canada to Florida and Mexico, Western US (West of the Rockies) to Southern CA.

Non-migratory species - Southern Americas, Parts of Europe, Oceania, and Southeastern Asia

Habitat - Prairies, Meadows, Wetlands

Conservation Status - Entire Species - Least Concern (LC)

Migratory - Threatened (VU)

## Great Spangled Fritillary - *Speyeria Cybele*

Host Plants - Violet (Night eaters, sleeps under leaves during day)

Attract - Milkweed, Joe-Pye Weed, Purple Cornflower, Butterfly Bush, Lilac, Mountain Laurel

Range - Wide Range across North America and Southern Canada

Habitat - Moist Meadowlands and Woodland Edges

Conservation Status - Secure (G5)



## Checkered White - *Ponita Protodice*

Host Plants - Brazos Rockcress, Black Mustard, Broccoli, Brussel Sprouts, Cabbage, Cauliflower, Turnip, Pinnate Tansy Mustard, Flixweed Tansy Mustard, Prairie Pepperweed, Virginia Peppergrass, Radish, Tumble Mustard, Field Pennycress

Attract - Mutards, Aster, Daisy, Sunflower, Alfalfa

Range - Most of the US, Midwestern Canada, Mexico

Habitat - Open Areas, Desert, Plains, Dry Grasslands

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## Aphrodite Fritillary - *Speyeria Aphrodite*

Host Plants - Violets

Attract - Milkweed, Coneflower, Asters, Members of the Pea Family, Summer Wildflowers, Wild Thistle, Lantana, White Phlox, Golden Rod, Bee Balm, Joe-Pye Weed, Blacked Eyed Susan's, Clovers

Range - Western US to AZ, AZ to NM, Along the Appalachian Mtn Range to Georgia, British Columbia to Nova Scotia

Habitat - Wet Meadowlands, Woodlands Edges, Upland Fields, Powerline Corridors, bogs

Conservation Status - Secure (G5)



## Banded Hairstreak - *Satyrum Calanus*

Host Plants - Oak, Hickory, Walnut

Attract - Milkweed, Yarrow, Dogbane, New Jersey Tea

Range - Eastern US to Southern Canada, as far south as Florida

Habitat - Open Woodlands, Forest Edges, Bushy Areas

Conservation Status - Secure (G5)

## Appalachian Brown - *Satyrodes Appalachia*

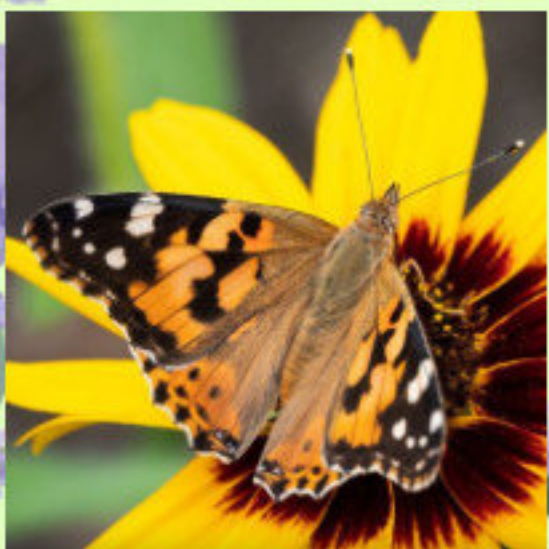
Host Plants - Sedge (Cardex)

Attract - Sedge, Tree Saps, Nonfloral Sources such as Overripe Fruits

Range - Eastern Minnesota east to New England, Southern Quebec south to Mississippi and Alabama

Habitat - Wooded Wet Swamps, Shrub Swamps, Forest Edges, Along Slow Moving Streams

Conservation Status - Secure (G5)



## Painted Lady - *Vanessa Cardui*

Host Plants - Thistle, Mallow, Milkweed, Aster, Coneflower, Ironweed, Cirsium, Dill, Mexican Sunflower, Parsley, Phlox

Attract - Aster, Thistle, Coneflower, Zinnias, Red Clover, Milkweed, Blazing Stars, Sunflower, Joe-Pye Weed, Yarrow, Ironweed

Range - Most of the US and Canada

Habitat - Pairies, Fields, Gardens, Disturbed Areas

Conservation Status - Least Concern (LC)

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## Common Buckeye - Junonia Coenia

Host Plants - Snapdragon, Plantain, Toadflax, False Foxglove, Ruellia, American Bluehearts, Frogfruit  
Attract - Aster, Chickory, Knapweed, Peppermint, Dogbane, Tickseed Sunflower  
Range - Most of US, Canada and Mexico  
Habitat - Meadows, Fields, Disturbed Areas, Sandy Areas, Gardens, Open Woodlands  
Conservation Status - Secure (G5)



## Clouded Sulphur - Colias Philodupice

Host Plants - Pea Family, Clovers, Alfalfa, Vetches  
Attract - Joe-Pye Weed, Goldenrod, Milkweed, Coneflower, Clover Alfalfa, Vetches, Pea Family  
Range - Most of US and Canada  
Habitat - Meadowlands, Fields, Lawns  
Conservation Status - Secure (G5)

## Cabbage White - Pieris Rapae

Host Plants - Mustard, Broccoli, Cabbage, Cauliflower, Hedge Mustard, Charlock  
Attract - Purple, Blue, and Yellow Flowers  
Range - Central Canada, All of the US, Northwestern Mexico  
Habitat - Gardens, Fields, Roadsides  
Conservation Status - Secure (G5)



## Black Swallowtail - Papilio Polyxenes

Host Plants - Dill, Fennel, Parsley, Carrot, Milkweed, Pipevine, Phlox, Coneflower, Pawpaw, Zinnias, Golden Alexanders, Spicebush, Great Angelica, Thistle, Willows, Torchwood  
Attract - Dill, Fennel, Parsley, Carrot, Milkweed, Pipevine, Phlox, Coneflower, Pawpaw, Zinnias, Golden Alexanders, Spicebush, Great Angelica, Thistle, Willows, Torchwood, Queen Anne's Lace  
Range - Western Coast of US to Eastern Coast, Southern Canada to Mexico  
Habitat - Open Sunny Areas, Meadows  
Conservation Status - Secure (G5)

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## American Copper - *Lycaena Phlaeas*

Host Plants - Sleep Sorrel, Curly Dock

Attract - Yarrow, Butterfly Weed, Aster,

Goldenrod, Clover, Buttercup, Coneflower

Range - Northeastern US to Southeastern US

Habitat - Fields, Meadows, Utility Rightways

Conservation Status - Secure (G5)



## Eastern Tiger Swallowtail - *Papilio Glaucus*

Host Plants - Tulip Tree, Wild Black Cherry, Sweetbay, Magnolia, Ash, Hop Tree, Cottonwood, Basswood, Birch, Mountain Ash, Willow

Attract - Butterfly Bush, Joe-Pye Weed, Milkweed, Phlox, Ironweed, Coneflower, Lilac

Range - Much of the Eastern North America

Habitat - Deciduous Woodlands, Forest Edges, Old Fields, Wooded Swamps, near Streams and Rivers

Conservation Status - Secure (G5)

## 'Ode to a Butterfly'

Thou spark of life that wavest wings of gold,  
Thou songless wanderer mid the songful birds,  
With Nature's secrets in thy tints unrolled  
Through gorgeous cipher, past the reach of  
words,

Yet dear to every child  
In glad pursuit beguiled,  
Living his unspoiled days mid flowers and flocks  
and herds!

*-Thomas Wentworth Higginson-*