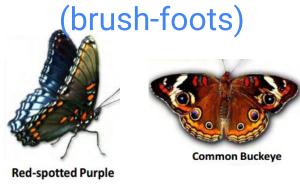
Common Butterfly Species at Mason Farm Biological Reserve

Swallowtails







Mid-size











Small, brown forest butterflies (satyrs)











Skippers Zabulon Skipper



Eastern Tiger Swallowtail







Reckless and flashy, these butterflies are were voted most likely to dive-bomb your windshield.

Eastern Tiger Swallowtail vs. Spicebush Swallowtail



Female Eastern Tiger Swallowtail



Spicebush Swallowtail

Pipevine Swallowtail



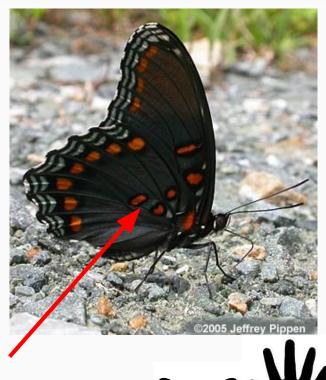
Distinguished from other dark swallowtails by:

- mostly dark forewing
- single row of orange spots on underhindwing
- lack of orange spot on dorsal hindwing



Red-spotted Purple







Red-spotted Purple vs. other black and blue butterflies



Red-spotted Purple



Pipevine Swallowtail

Viceroy



Viceroy- tend to glide with flat wings



(Monarch- tend to glide with "V"-shaped wings)



Emperors



Hackberry Emperor





Tawny Emperor







American Snout

The friendliest butterfly you ever did meet!





Pearl Crescent



Little orange butterflies you see everywhere.





Common Buckeye





Very common indeed.



Red Admiral

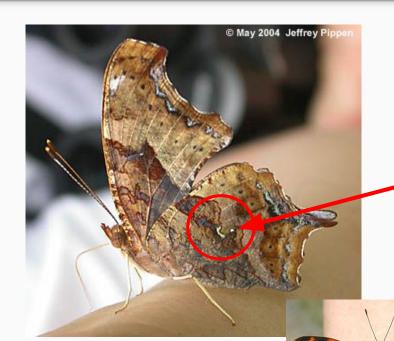


Very fast fliers but will often land in the path in front of you. Don't try to catch them; they are teases.





Question Mark vs. Eastern Comma



Question Mark: the "dot" is not always present, but the line is parallel to outer wing edge (vertical)



Comma: line is roughly perpendicular to the outer wing edge (horizontal)



Carolina Satyr

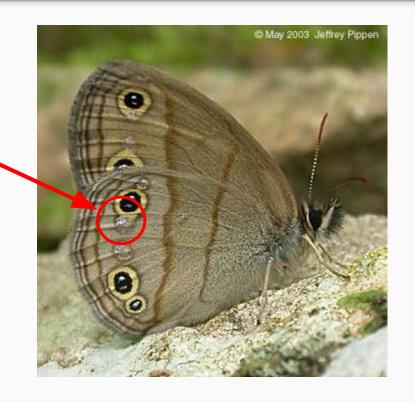




Our forest friends



Little Wood Satyr





Another forest friend

Gemmed Satyr



Forest friend with bling



Appalachian Brown





Slightly larger forest friend with more spots



Cloudless Sulphur



Big yellow butterflies on a mission.



Sleepy Orange



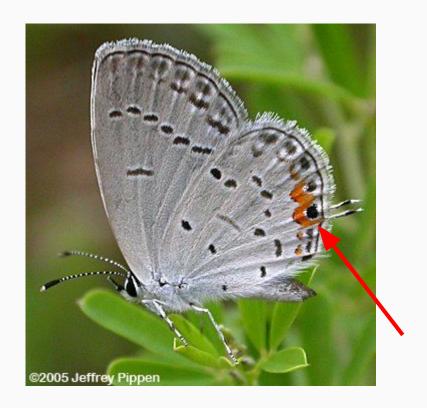




Compare: the clouded sulphur



Eastern Tailed-Blue





Note the tail and the orange spots. Very small.

Summer Azure



Same size as Eastern Tailed-Blues but without the tails or orange spots.



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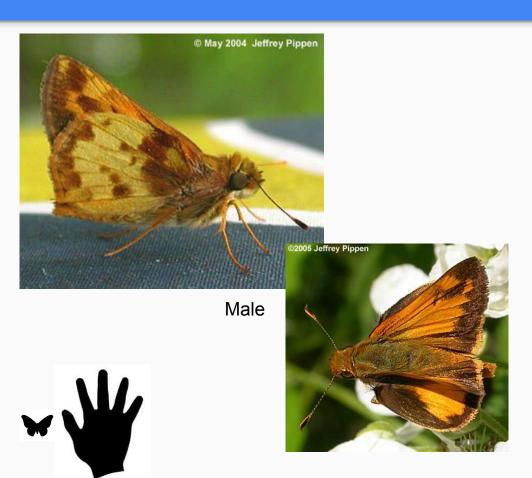




Male Female



Zabulon Skipper





Fiery Skipper







Least Skipper







Silver-spotted Skipper





Horace's Duskywing







Male Female