

Names according to the *Checklist & English Names of North American Butterflies* published by the North American Butterfly Association, available at www.naba.org

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Recommended Field Guides

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About Us

The **Cary Institute of Ecosystem Studies** is a private, not-for-profit environmental research and education center. For over twenty-five years, our scientists have been investigating the complex interactions that govern the natural world. Their objective findings lead to more effective policy decisions and increased environmental literacy. Focal areas include air and water pollution, climate change, invasive species, and disease ecology.

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GUIDE to Butterflies and Skippers

Common butterflies and skippers found at the Cary Institute of Ecosystem Studies



Eastern Tiger Swallowtail



Red-spotted Purple

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Butterflies and Skippers of the Cary Institute

This brochure highlights twenty of the most common butterflies seen along the Cary Institute's trail system. Each species is provided with common and scientific names; wing span and flight time; and their likely location on the Cary Institute's campus. See the trail map for more information.

SMT: Sedge Meadow Trail OGP: Old Gravel Pit

WCT: Wappinger Creek Trail OP: Old Pasture

FG: Fern Glen OH: Old Hayfields



Eastern Tiger Swallowtail 5", Apr-Sep
Papilio glaucus OH



Cabbage White 2", Apr-Oct
Pieris rapae Everywhere



Clouded Sulphur 2", Apr-Oct
Colias philodice Everywhere



American Copper 1", May-Oct
Lycaena phlaeas SMT, OP



Eastern tailed-blue 1", Jul-Sep
Everes comyntas OH, FG



Spring Azure
Celestrina ladon 1", Apr-Sep
FG, OH



Eastern Comma
Polygonia comma 2.25", Apr-Sep
WCT, OGP



Common Wood-nymph
Cercyonis pegala 2.5", Jun-Sep
OH, OGP, SMT



Silver-spotted Skipper
Epargyreus clarus 2.25", May-Sep
OH



Great Spangled Fritillary
Speyeria cybele 3.5", Jun-Sep
OH, FG



Northern Pearly-eye
Enodia anthedon 2.5", Jul-Aug
OGP, WCT



Common Ringlet
Coenonympha tullia 1.25", May-Sep
OH, FG, SMT



European Skipper
Thymelicus lineola 1", Jun-Jul
OH, SMT



Pearl Crescent
Phyciodes tharos 1.5", Jul-Sep
OH, SMT, FG



Little Wood-satyr
Megisto cymela 1.75", May-Jul
OH, OGP



Monarch
Danaus plexippus 4", Jul-Oct
OH



Tawny-edged Skipper
Polites thermistocles 1.25", May-Aug
OH