

Butterflies

of
the **South & Southeast**



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YOUR WAY TO EASILY IDENTIFY BUTTERFLIES

Mostly black



1.25–1.9"

Texan Crescent

brownish-black above; white spot bands; hindwing below light brown with central pale band



1.25–2"

Great Purple Hairstreak

black with iridescent blue; hindwing below dull black with red spots and two tails; abdomen orange-red



1.4–2"

Bordered Patch

wings above black with white spots and an orange band; hindwing below black with orange patch and cream spots along margin



1.7–2.2"

Polka-Dot Wasp Moth

elongated wings and body; black wings with shiny blue sheen and white spots; shiny blue abdomen with white spots and an orange tip; slender white-tipped antennae; day flying



1.8–2.5"

Red Admiral

forewing with central reddish band, white apical spots, hindwings with broad red border



1.8–2.75"

Baltimore Checkerspot

rows of small white spots; large red-orange marginal spots; seen in wetlands; declining across region



2–2.9"

Eastern Buckmoth

wings black with wide central white band with a black eyespot; dark gray abdomen with an orange tip



2.5–3.25"

Ilia Underwing Moth

dark gray bark-like forewing mottled with brown, black, and cream markings; hindwing black with orange bands and light margin

Mostly orange



1.5–3"

Orange Sulphur

bright yellow, hindwing with large red-rimmed silver spot and dark spot band; often in clover and alfalfa fields; appears orange in flight; females occasionally white



1.75–2.25"

American Lady

orange with dark marks and borders, forewing apex squared off; hindwing below with agate pattern and two large eyespots; common in open disturbed sites



1.75–2.4"

Painted Lady

pinkish-orange with dark marks, forewing apex black with white spots



1.8–2.5"

Eastern Comma

forewing apex squared off, irregular, jagged margins; hindwing with stubby tail; hindwing below with silver "comma" in center



2–3.2"

Variegated Fritillary

forewing somewhat elongated; wings with light central band and darker orange basally



2.25–3"

Question Mark

forewing apex squared off with jagged margins; hindwing with tail and lavender border; hindwing with silver question mark-like spot



2.25–3"

Goatweed Leafwing

orange above; forewing with hooked apex; hindwing with tail; wings have dead leaf pattern below; difficult to approach



2.5–3.5"

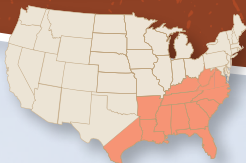
Viceroy

orange with black veins and borders, hindwing with postmedian black line; resembles monarch; typically found near wetlands

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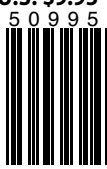
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