

# Caterpillars of **NORTH AMERICA**



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*Adventure Quick Guides*

EASILY IDENTIFY 90 COMMON BUTTERFLIES AND MOTHS

## UNDERWING, TIGER, TUSSOCK, AND ALLIED MOTHS (FAMILY EREBIDAE)

### Milkweed Tussock Moth

*Euchaetes egle*

1–1.25 inches; densely covered in black hairs with orange or yellow tufts over the back and longer black or white tufts along the body



### Banded Woolly Bear

*Pyrrharctia isabella*

1.8–2.25 inches; densely fuzzy; banded with black at both ends and reddish-brown in the middle; often found wandering along the ground in fall; contrary to popular myth, their appearance doesn't predict the severity of upcoming winters.



### Yellow Woolly Bear Moth

*Spilosoma virginica*

1.75–2 inches; densely hairy; variable in color from white, yellow, orangish to reddish-brown; gregarious when young, becoming solitary with age. **Caution:** Hairs may cause minor skin irritation if handled.



### Spotted Tussock Moth

*Lophocampa maculata*

0.5–0.7 inches; densely hairy; black at both ends and yellow to orange in the middle with some black dorsal spots; some longer white hair tufts off both ends



## BRUSH-FOOTED BUTTERFLIES (FAMILY NYMPHALIDAE)

### American Lady

*Vanessa virginiensis*

1.2–1.4 inches; variable; greenish yellow with narrow black transverse bands to black with cream bands and numerous branched spines with red at the base; pair of white spots on each segment; larvae construct individual silken shelters on the host



### Painted Lady

*Vanessa cardui*

1.5–1.75 inches; variable; often black with cream spots and stripes and numerous branched spines; makes conspicuous silken nests on host



### Red Admiral

*Vanessa atalanta*

1.2–1.4 inches; gray-black body with fine cream mottling, lateral cream chevrons, and numerous branched spines; larvae construct leaf shelters on host



### Common Buckeye

*Junonia coenia*

1.4–1.7 inches long; black with orange spots and cream lines along the side and numerous blue-black branched spines



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## Quick & Easy Caterpillar Identification

**Simple and convenient—narrow your choices by physical characteristics (scientific family), and view just a few species at a time**

- Pocket-size format—easier than laminated foldouts
- 90 species of caterpillars and the butterflies/moths they become
- Professional photos showing key markings
- Easy-to-use information for even casual observers
- The author's "Top 10 Things You Can Do for Butterflies and Moths"

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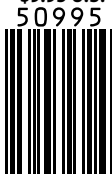
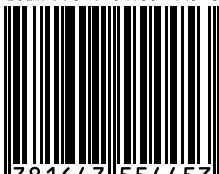


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