

Common Butterflies of the Cariboo-Chilcotin

EARLY SPRING BUTTERFLIES

first appear : March to mid-April

Host plant(s) for larva

family /genus

_____	Compton Tortoiseshell	<i>Roddia l-album</i>	willow, birch
_____	Mourning Cloak	<i>Nymphalis antiopa</i>	willow, cottonwood
_____	Grey Comma	<i>Polygonia progne</i>	currant, gooseberry
_____	Milbert's Tortoiseshell	<i>Aglais milberti</i>	Stinging Nettle

SPRING BUTTERFLIES

first appear : mid-April to mid-May

_____	Satyr Anglewing	<i>Polygonia satyrus</i>	Stinging Nettle
_____	Green Comma	<i>Polygonia faunus</i>	birch, willow
_____	Hoary Comma	<i>Polygonia gracilis</i>	currant, rhododendron
_____	Boreal Spring Azure	<i>Celastrina ladon</i>	blueberry, Red-osier Dogwood
_____	Western White	<i>Pontia occidentalis</i>	mustard family
_____	Mustard White	<i>Pieris oleracea</i>	mustard family
_____	Cabbage White	<i>Pieris rapae</i>	mustard family
_____	Large Marble	<i>Euchloe ausonides</i>	mustard family
_____	Stella Orangetip	<i>Anthocharis stella</i>	rockcress
_____	Clouded Sulphur	<i>Colias philodice</i>	pea family / clover, alfalfa
_____	Western Sulphur	<i>Colias occidentalis</i>	pea family / vetch, lupines
_____	Silvery Blue	<i>Glaucopsyche lygdamus</i>	pea family
_____	Persius Duskywing	<i>Erynnis persius</i>	pea family, willow
_____	Western Elfin	<i>Incisalia iroides</i>	Kinnikinnick
_____	Hoary Elfin	<i>Incisalia polia</i>	sedum
_____	Painted Lady	<i>Vanessa cardui</i>	aster family, thistle
_____	Red Admiral	<i>Vanessa atalanta</i>	Stinging Nettle

LATE SPRING BUTTERFLIES

first appear : mid-May to mid-June

_____	Common Ringlet	<i>Coenonympha californica</i>	grass family
_____	Common Alpine	<i>Erebia epipsodea</i>	grass family
_____	Silver-bordered Fritillary	<i>Clossiana selene</i>	violets
_____	Meadow Fritillary	<i>Clossiana bellona</i>	violets
_____	Blue Copper	<i>Lycaena heteronea</i>	buckwheat
_____	Purplish Copper	<i>Lycaena helloides</i>	knotweed, dock
_____	Juniper Hairstreak	<i>Mitoura siva</i>	Rocky Mountain Juniper
_____	Western Pine Elfin	<i>Incisalia eryphon</i>	Lodgepole Pine
_____	Western Tailed Blue	<i>Everes amyntula</i>	pea family
_____	Northern Cloudwing	<i>Theridion nelsoni</i>	pea family

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_____	Freija Fritillary	<i>Clossiana freija</i>	blueberry, Kinnikinnick
_____	Frigga's Fritillary	<i>Clossiana frigga</i>	willow, avens
_____	Anicia Checkerspot	<i>Euphydryas anicia</i>	snowberry, honeysuckle
_____	Rocky Mountain Apollo	<i>Parnassius smintheus</i>	stonecrop
_____	Baird's Swallowtail	<i>Papilio bairdii</i>	tarragon (Artemisia)
_____	Anise Swallowtail	<i>Papilio zelicaon</i>	cow-parsnip, angelica
_____	Canadian Tiger Swallowtail	<i>Papilio canadensis</i>	willow, birch, aspen
_____	Two-tailed Swallowtail	<i>Pterourus multicaudatus</i>	willow, cherry, aspen
_____	Macoun's Arctic	<i>Oeneis macounii</i>	grass, sedge family
_____	Chryxus Arctic	<i>Oeneis chryxus</i>	grass family

EARLY SUMMER BUTTERFLIES

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_____	Pink-edged Sulphur	<i>Colias interior</i>	blueberry
_____	Tawny-edged Skipper	<i>Polites themistocles</i>	grass family
_____	Square-spotted Blue	<i>Euphilotes battoides</i>	buckwheat
_____	Northern Blue	<i>Lycaeides idas</i>	Dwarf Blueberry
_____	Greenish Blue	<i>Plebeius saepiolus</i>	clover
_____	Boisduval's Blue	<i>Icaricia icarioides</i>	lupine
_____	Acmon Blue	<i>Icaricia acmon</i>	buckwheat, pea family
_____	Arctic Blue	<i>Agriades glandon</i>	saxifrage
_____	Aphrodite Fritillary	<i>Speyeria aphrodite</i>	violets
_____	Northwestern Fritillary	<i>Speyeria hesperis</i>	violets
_____	Callippe Fritillary	<i>Speyeria callippe</i>	violets, sagebrush
_____	Reakirt's Copper	<i>Lycaena mariposa</i>	blueberry
_____	Northern Checkerspot	<i>Charidryas palla</i>	aster family
_____	Pearl Crescent	<i>Phyciodes tharos</i>	aster family
_____	Field Crescent	<i>Phyciodes pratensis</i>	aster family
_____	Pale Crescent	<i>Phyciodes pallidus</i>	thistle
_____	White Admiral	<i>Limenitis arthemis</i>	willow, aspen, birch
_____	Common Woodnymph	<i>Cercyonis pegala</i>	grass family
_____	Great Basin Woodnymph	<i>Cercyonis sthenele</i>	grass family
_____	Small Woodnymph	<i>Cercyonis oetus</i>	grass family
_____	Alexandra's Sulphur	<i>Cloias alexandra</i>	pea family

LATE SUMMER BUTTERFLIES

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_____	Common Branded Skipper	<i>Hesperia comma</i>	grasses / sedges
_____	Woodland Skipper	<i>Ochlodes sylvanoides</i>	grass family