

CHECKLIST TO THE BUTTERFLIES OF PRESQU'ILE PROVINCIAL PARK

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Abundance Notes: These codes refer to species in their proper habitat and during their peak season. Many butterfly species are erratic in their abundance in that they can be common one year and nearly absent in others. As a result, the abundance codes reflect the average.

A = Abundant: Easy to find and in large numbers (e.g. European Skipper in early July)

C = Common: Fairly easy to find, but not in large numbers (e.g. Little Wood-satyr in early July)

U = Uncommon: May require a concentrated effort to find (e.g. Arctic Skipper in late spring)

R = Rare: Usually seen each year, but in low numbers (e.g. Gray Comma in summer)

V = Vagrant: Many years may pass between sightings

H = Historical: No records in the last 30 years but may have been resident in past

SKIPPERS

- Silver-spotted Skipper - R
- Northern Cloudywing - U
- Dreamy Duskywing - R
- Juvenal's Duskywing - R
- Columbine Duskywing - H
- Wild Indigo Duskywing - V
- Common Checkered Skipper - V
- Arctic Skipper - U
- Least Skipper - U
- European Skipper - A
- Fiery Skipper - V
- Leonard's Skipper - V
- Peck's Skipper - U
- Tawny-edged Skipper - U
- Crossline Skipper - R
- Long Dash Skipper - C
- Northern Broken-Dash - U
- Little Glassywing - V
- Delaware Skipper - R
- Hobomok Skipper - C
- Broad-winged Skipper - U
- Dion Skipper - V
- Two-spotted Skipper - H
- Dun Skipper - C

SWALLOWTAILS

- Black Swallowtail - U
- Eastern Giant Swallowtail - U
- Pipevine Swallowtail - V
- Spicebush Swallowtail - V
- Midsummer Tiger Swallowtail - C
- Canadian Tiger Swallowtail - U

WHITES AND SULPHURS

- Checkered White - V
- Mustard White - U
- Cabbage White - A
- Clouded Sulphur - C
- Orange Sulphur - C
- Little Yellow - V

LYCAENIDS

- Harvester - V
- American Copper - V
- Bronze Copper - U
- Acadian Hairstreak - V
- Coral Hairstreak - V
- Banded Hairstreak - V
- Hickory Hairstreak - V
- Striped Hairstreak - R
- Eastern Pine Elfin - V
- Brown Elfin - V
- Gray Hairstreak - V
- Eastern Tailed Blue - C
- Northern Azure - C
- Summer Azure - C
- Silvery Blue - C

BRUSH-FOOTS

- American Snout - V
- Variegated Fritillary - V
- Great Spangled Fritillary - C
- Aphrodite Fritillary - U
- Silver-bordered Fritillary - U
- Meadow Fritillary - R
- Pearl Crescent - U
- Northern Crescent - A
- Question Mark - U

- Eastern Comma - U
- Gray Comma - U
- Compton Tortoiseshell - R
- Mourning Cloak - C
- Milbert's Tortoiseshell - V
- American Lady - U
- Painted Lady - U
- Red Admiral - C
- Common Buckeye - R
- White Admiral - C
- Red-spotted Purple** - V
- Viceroy - C
- Northern Pearly-eye - C
- Eyed Brown - C
- Appalachian Brown - R
- Little Wood-satyr - C
- Common Ringlet - A
- Common Woodnymph - C
- Monarch - C

SPECIES TOTAL: 78

ADDENDUM: *"Red-spotted Purple" is a rare southern subspecies of the White Admiral; thus, it is not included in the species total.

NOTE: The submission of sightings is appreciated and encouraged by park staff. Particularly, if you encounter an unlisted or rare species, please document the sighting and submit your record to iNaturalist, eButterfly or the Main Office.