



## **Common Butterflies of Southeast Minnesota**





Black **Swallowtail** 



**Tiger Swallow Tail** 



Giant Swallowtail\*



Habitat: Open areas

Host Plant: Umbelliferae; wild parsnip, wild carrot, parsley, dill

Size: Medium - Large

Clouded Sulphur \*



Habitat: Woods edge

Host Plant: Cherry, aspen and other trees

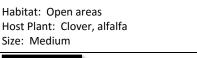
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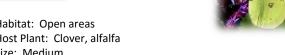


**American** Copper \*



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Host Plant: Alfalfa and relatives

Size: Medium



(and other conners)

Habitat: Dray grasslands

Host Plant: Prickly ash

Host Plant: Sorrel, dock and relatives

Size: Tiny



**Great Spangled** Fritillary \*



Checkerspots

**Orange** 

Sulfur \*



**Pearl Crescent** 



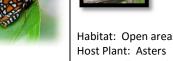
Habitat: Grasslands, woods edge

Host Plant: Violets Size: Large



Habitat: Wet grasslands Host Plant: Turltehead, plantain

Size: Medium



Habitat: Open areas Size: Small to Medium



American Lady



**Question Mark** 





**Eastern Comma** 



Habitat: Open areas with flowers

Host Plant: Thistles and many other plants

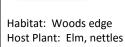
Size: Medium



Habitat: Woods edge

Host Plant: Elm, hackberry, nettles

Size: Medium



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**Painted Lady** 





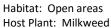
Viceroy \*



Habitat: Open areas with flowers

Host Plant: Thistles and many other plants

Size: Medium



Size: Large

Habitat: Moist shrubby areas

Host Plant: Willows, aspens, some fruit trees

Size: Medium - Large

<sup>\*</sup>Indicates the species is abundant in Se Minnesota.



Host Plant: Nettles

Milbert's **Tortoiseshell** 



**Red Admiral** 



**Common Buckeye** 



Habitat: Moist woods edge

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Host Plant: Nettles Size: Medium

Habitat: Grasslands and weedy areas Host Plant: Snapdragons, plantains

Size: Medium



**Eastern Tailed** Blue \*



**Spring/ Summer** Azure \*



Cabbage White \*



Habitat: Lawns, grasslands Host Plant: Legumes

Size: Tiny



Habitat: Woods edge, shrubs

Host Plant: Dogwood, cherry, meadowsweet

Size: Small



Habitat: Open areas

Host Plant: Mustards, cabbage family

Size: Medium



Hairstreaks



Little Wood Satyr \*



**Eyed Brown** 



Habitat: Flowery meadows

Habitat: Grassy meadows

Host Plant: Grasses

Host Plant: Each has specific requirements

Size: Small - Medium



Habitat: Grassy woods Host Plant: Grasses Size: Medium



Habitat: Wet meadows Host Plant: Sedges

Size: Medium



**Common Wood** Nymph \*



## **Northern Pearly** Eye



Silver-Spotted Skipper \*



Habitat: Woods edge, esp near water

Host Plant: Grasses Size: Medium



Habitat: Woods edge

Host Plant: Locust, woody legumes Size: Small - Medium



Size: Medium

**Hackberry Emperor** \*



**Red-spotted Purple** 



**Mourning Cloak** 



Habitat: Moist woods

Host Plant: Cherry, aspen, poplar, etc

Size: Medium

Habitat: Open areas in or near woods Host Plant: Willows, aspens, birches, elm, etc

Size: Medium

Habitat: Open woods Host Plant: Hackberry Size: Medium

Whitewater State Park, 2011.