

BUTTERFLIES OF KENTUCKY CHECKLIST

This checklist can be used to record adult butterflies (b) and caterpillars (c) observed in your backyard habitat. Names are presented alphabetically by common name followed by the Latin name in parentheses. Also provided is an indication of each species' relative abundance in Kentucky: A=abundant, C=common, F=frequent, U=uncommon, R=rare, E=endangered (probably).



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| <input type="checkbox"/> Admiral, Red (<i>Vanessa atalanta</i>) C | <input type="checkbox"/> Fritillary, Silver-bordered (<i>Boloria selene</i>) S |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Alfalfa (<i>Colias philodice</i>) A | <input type="checkbox"/> Fritillary, Variegated (<i>Euptoietia claudia</i>) C |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Appalachian Eyed Brown (<i>Satyroides appalachia</i>) C | <input type="checkbox"/> Glassywing, Little (<i>Pompeius vema</i>) U |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Azure, Dusky (<i>Celastrina ebenina</i>) | <input type="checkbox"/> Goatweed (<i>Anaea andria</i>) U |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Azure, Spring (<i>Celastrina argiolus ladon</i>) C | <input type="checkbox"/> Hackberry (<i>Asterocampa celtis</i>) C |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Baltimore (<i>Euphydryas phaeton</i>) U | <input type="checkbox"/> Hairstreak, Acadian (<i>Satyrium acadicum</i>) R |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Blue, Appalachian (<i>Celastrina neglectamajor</i>) U | <input type="checkbox"/> Hairstreak, Banded (<i>Satyrium calanus</i>) C |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Blue, Eastern tailed (<i>Everes comyntas</i>) A | <input type="checkbox"/> Hairstreak, Coral (<i>Harkenclenus titus</i>) C |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Blue, Marine (<i>Leptotes marina</i>) R | <input type="checkbox"/> Hairstreak, Early (<i>Erora laeta</i>) R |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Blue, Silvery (<i>Glaucopsyche lygdamus</i>) U | <input type="checkbox"/> Hairstreak, Edwards (<i>Satyrium edwardsii</i>) C |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Broken Dash, Dark (<i>Wallengrenia egeremet</i>) A | <input type="checkbox"/> Hairstreak, Gray (<i>Strymon melinus</i>) C |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Broken Dash, Rusty (<i>Wallengrenia otho</i>) R | <input type="checkbox"/> Hairstreak, Great purple (<i>Atlides halesus</i>) R |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Buckeye (<i>Junonia coenia</i>) C | <input type="checkbox"/> Hairstreak, Hickory (<i>Satyrium caryaevorum</i>) U |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cabbage (<i>Pieris rapae</i>) C | <input type="checkbox"/> Hairstreak, Northern (<i>Fixsenia ontario</i>) U |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Checkerspot, Gorgone (<i>Charidryas gorgone</i>) R | <input type="checkbox"/> Hairstreak, Olive (<i>Callophrys grynea</i>) C |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Checkerspot, Harris' (<i>Charidryas harrissii</i>) S | <input type="checkbox"/> Hairstreak, Red Banded (<i>Calycopis cecrops</i>) U |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Checkerspot, Silvery (<i>Charidryas nycetis</i>) C | <input type="checkbox"/> Hairstreak, Striped (<i>Satyrium liparops</i>) U |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cloak, Mourning (<i>Nymphalis antiopa</i>) F | <input type="checkbox"/> Hairstreak, White-M (<i>Parrhasius m-album</i>) R |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cloudy wing, Confused (<i>Thorybes confusus</i>) U | <input type="checkbox"/> Harvester, (<i>Feniseca tarquinis</i>) U |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cloudy wing, Northern (<i>Thorybes pylades</i>) C | <input type="checkbox"/> Hoary Edge (<i>Achalarus lyciades</i>) U |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cloudy wing, Southern (<i>Thorybes bathyllus</i>) C | <input type="checkbox"/> Lady, American Painted (<i>Vanessa virginiana</i>) U |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Comma, Gray (<i>Polygonia progne</i>) R | <input type="checkbox"/> Lady, Painted (<i>Vanessa cardui</i>) C |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Comma, Green (<i>Polygonia faunus</i>) R | <input type="checkbox"/> Lyside (<i>Kricogonia lyside</i>) S |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Copper, American (<i>Lycaena phlaeas americana</i>) U | <input type="checkbox"/> Merchant, Hop (<i>Polygonia comma</i>) C |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Copper, Bronze (<i>Hylolycaena hyllus</i>) F | <input type="checkbox"/> Metalmark, Northern (<i>Calephelis borealis</i>) U |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Crescent, Pearl (<i>Phyciodes tharos</i>) A | <input type="checkbox"/> Metalmark, Swamp (<i>Calephelis mutica</i>) R |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Crescent, Tawny (<i>Phyciodes batesii</i>) R | <input type="checkbox"/> Monarch (<i>Danaus plexippus</i>) C |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dogface (<i>Zerene cesonia</i>) U | <input type="checkbox"/> Nymph, Common Wood (<i>Cercyonis pegala</i>) C |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Duskywing, Columbine (<i>Erynnis lucilius</i>) R | <input type="checkbox"/> Olympia Marble (<i>Euchloe olympia</i>) U |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Duskywing, Dreamy (<i>Erynnis icelus</i>) C | <input type="checkbox"/> Orange, Sleepy (<i>Eurema nicippe</i>) F |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dusky wing, Funereal (<i>Erynnis funeralis</i>) R | <input type="checkbox"/> Orange Tip, Falcate (<i>Paramidea midea</i>) C |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dusky wing, Horace's (<i>Erynnis horatius</i>) C | <input type="checkbox"/> Peacock, White (<i>Anartia jatrophae</i>) S |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dusky wing, Juvenal's (<i>Erynnis juvenalis</i>) A | <input type="checkbox"/> Pearly eye, Creole (<i>Enodia creola</i>) U |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dusky wing, Mottled (<i>Erynnis martialis</i>) U | <input type="checkbox"/> Pearly eye, Northern (<i>Enodia anhedon</i>) C |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dusky wing, Sleepy (<i>Erynnis brizo</i>) A | <input type="checkbox"/> Pearly eye, Southern (<i>Enodia portlandia missarke</i>) U |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dusky wing, Wild Indigo (<i>Erynnis baptisiae</i>) A | <input type="checkbox"/> Question Mark (<i>Polygonia interrogationis</i>) C |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dusky wing, Zarucco (<i>Erynnis zarucco</i>) R | <input type="checkbox"/> Queen (<i>Danaus gilippus</i>) S |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Elfin, Brown (<i>Callophrys augustus</i>) U | <input type="checkbox"/> Red, Spotted-purple (<i>Limentitis arthemis astyanax</i>) C |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Elfin, Eastern Pine (<i>Callophrys nippon</i>) U | <input type="checkbox"/> Sachem (<i>Atalopedes campestris</i>) A |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Elfin, Frosted (<i>Callophrys irus</i>) R | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Elfin, Henry's (<i>Callophrys henrici</i>) C | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Emperor, Tawny (<i>Asterocampa clyton</i>) C | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fritillary, Aphrodite (<i>Speyeria aphrodite</i>) U | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fritillary, Diana (<i>Speyeria diana</i>) C | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fritillary, Great-spangled (<i>Speyeria cybele</i>) A | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fritillary, Gulf (<i>Agraulis vanillae</i>) U | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fritillary, Meadow (<i>Boloria bellona</i>) C | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fritillary, Regal (<i>Speyeria idalia</i>) E | |

- _____ Satyr, Carolina (*Hermeuptychia sosybius*) U
 _____ Satyr, Gemmed (*Cyllopsis gemma*) U
 _____ Satyr, Little Wood (*Megisto cymela*) C
 _____ Skipper, Bell's Roadside (*Amblyscirtes belli*) U
 _____ Skipper, Broad-winged (*Poanes viator*) R
 _____ Skipper, Checkered (*Pyrgus communis*) C
 _____ Skipper, Clouded (*Lerema accius*) U
 _____ Skipper, Cobweb (*Hesperia metea*) U
 _____ Skipper, Crossline (*Polites origenes*) F
 _____ Skipper, Delaware (*Atrytone logan*) U
 _____ Skipper, Dion (*Euphyes dion*) F
 _____ Skipper, Duke's (*Euphyes dukesi*) R
 _____ Skipper, Dusted (*Atryonopsis hianna*) U
 _____ Skipper, Eastern Dun (*Euphyes vestris metacomet*) C
 _____ Skipper, Eufala (*Lerodea eufala*) R
 _____ Skipper, European (*Thymelicus lineola*) F
 _____ Skipper, Fiery (*Hylephila phyleus*) F
 _____ Skipper, Golden-banded (*Autochton cellus*) U
 _____ Skipper, Grizzled (*Pyrgus centaurae*) R
 _____ Skipper, Hobomok (*Poanes hobomok*) F
 _____ Skipper, Indian (*Hesperia sassacus*) E
 _____ Skipper, Leonard's (*Hesperia leonardus*) F
 _____ Skipper, Long-tailed (*Urbanus proteus*) U
 _____ Skipper, Ocola (*Panoquina ocola*) U
 _____ Skipper, Pecks (*Polites peckius*) A
 _____ Skipper, Pepper and Salt (*Amblyscirtes hegon*) U
 _____ Skipper, Roadside (*Amblyscirtes vialis*) U
 _____ Skipper, Silver-spotted (*Epargyreus clarus*) A
 _____ Skipper, Swarthy (*Nastra lherminier*) U
 _____ Skipper, Tawny-edged (*Polites themistocles*) A
 _____ Skipper, Textor (*Amblyscirtes aesculapius*) U
 _____ Skipper, Yehl (*Yehl skipper*) C
 _____ Skipper, Zabulon (*Poanes zabulon*) C
 _____ Skipperling, Least (*Ancyloxipha numitor*) A
 _____ Snout (*Libythaena bachmanii*) C
 _____ Sooty wing, Common (*Pholisora catullus*) C
 _____ Sooty wing, Scalloped (*Staphylus hayhurstii*) U
 _____ Sulphur, Clouded (*Colias philodice*) A
 _____ Sulphur, Cloudless (*Phoebis sennae*) C
 _____ Sulphur, Dainty (*Nathalis iole*) U
 _____ Sulphur, Large Orange (*Phoebis agarithe*) S
 _____ Sulphur, Little (*Eurema lisa*) F
 _____ Sulphur, Orange-barred (*Phoebis philea*) S
 _____ Swallowtail, Black (*Papilio polyxenes asterius*) C
 _____ Swallowtail, Giant (*heraclides cresphontes*) F
 _____ Swallowtail, Joan's (*Papilio joane*) R
 _____ Swallowtail, Palamedes (*Pterourus palamdes*) R
 _____ Swallowtail, Pipevine (*Battus philenor*) A
 _____ Swallowtail, Polydamas (*Battus polydamas*) S
 _____ Swallowtail, Spicebush (*Pterourus troilus*) C
 _____ Swallowtail, Tiger (*Pterourus glaucus*) C
 _____ Swallowtail, Zebra (*Eurytides marcellus*) C
 _____ Tortoise Shell, Compton (*Nymphalis vaualburn*) S
 _____ Tortoise Shell, Milbert (*Aglais milberti*) S
 _____ Viceroy (*Limenitis archippus*) C
(Kentucky State Butterfly)
 _____ White, Checkered (*Pontia protodice*) U
 _____ White, West Virginia (*Pieris virginiesis*) C



This checklist was adapted from one developed by Dr. C. V. Covell (1993).