

Common Butterflies reported from the campus of Tropical Forest Research Institute, Jabalpur

Butterflies are beautiful and delicate creature; they have fascinated generation of entomologist and biologist. It is one of the most thoroughly studied groups among insects; Indian subcontinent is home to 1,504 species of Butterflies. Chandra (2007) reported 174 species of Butterflies from Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh, 66 species of butterflies were recorded from TFRI campus by Tiple (2012).

Common name	Scientific name	Occurrence (months)	Status
Papilionidae (5)			
Spot Swordtail	<i>Graphium nomius</i> (Esper)	4–7	R
Common Rose	<i>Pachliopta aristolochiae</i> (Fabricius)	7–3	NR
Crimson Rose	<i>Pachliopta hector</i> (Linnaeus)*	8–1	R
Lime	<i>Papilio demoleus</i> Linnaeus	1–12	VC
Common Mormon	<i>Papilio polytes</i> Linnaeus	7–2	C
Pieridae (9)			
Pioneer	<i>Anaphaeis aurota</i> (Fabricius)	11–2	R
Lemon Emigrant	<i>Catopsilia pomona</i> (Fabricius)	1–12	VC
Mottled Emigrant	<i>Catopsilia pyranthe</i> (Linnaeus)	7–12	C
Common Gull	<i>Cepora nerissa</i> (Fabricius)	7–2	R
Common Jezebel	<i>Delias eucharis</i> (Linnaeus)	9–3	C
Three-Spot Grass Yellow	<i>Eurema blanda</i> (Boisduval)	7–11	R
Common Grass Yellow	<i>Eurema hecabe</i> (Linnaeus)	1–12	VC
Spotless Grass Yellow	<i>Eurema laeta</i> (Boisduval)	4–8	C
Psyche	<i>Leptosia nina</i> (Fabricius)	11–12	R
Nymphalidae (25)			
Tawny Coster	<i>Acraea violae</i> (Fabricius)	6–12	C
Angled Castor	<i>Ariadne ariadne</i> (Linnaeus)	6–11	C
Black Rajah	<i>Charaxes solon</i> (Fabricius)	8–9	VR
Painted Lady	<i>Cynthia cardui</i> (Linnaeus)	9–3	C
Plain Tiger	<i>Danaus chrysippus</i> (Linnaeus)	1–12	VC
Striped Tiger	<i>Danaus genutia</i> (Cramer)	9–6	VC
Common Indian Crow	<i>Euploea core</i> (Cramer)*	1–12	VC
Common Baron	<i>Euthalia aconthea</i> (Cramer)	6	VR
Baronet	<i>Euthalia nais</i> (Forster)	8–2	VC
Great Eggfly	<i>Hypolimnas bolina</i> (Linnaeus)	6–1	C
Danaid Eggfly	<i>Hypolimnas misippus</i> (Linnaeus)*	1–12	C
Peacock Pansy	<i>Junonia almanac</i> (Linnaeus)	6–1	C
Grey Pansy	<i>Junonia atlites</i> (Linnaeus)	8–3	R
Yellow Pansy	<i>Junonia hierta</i> (Fabricius)	2	VR
Chocolate Pansy	<i>Junonia iphita</i> (Cramer)	6–11	C
Lemon Pansy	<i>Junonia lemonias</i> (Linnaeus)	1–12	VC
Blue Pansy	<i>Junonia orithya</i> (Linnaeus)	9–3	C

Commander	<i>Limenitis procris</i> (Cramer)	9–10	R
Common Evening Brown	<i>Melanitis leda</i> (Linnaeus)	1–12	VC
Dark Branded Bushbrown	<i>Mycalesis mineus</i> (Linnaeus)	6–11	C
Common Bushbrown	<i>Mycalesis perseus</i> (Fabricius)	6–3	VC
Common Sailor	<i>Neptis hylas</i> (Linnaeus)	7–12	VC
Common Leopard	<i>Phalanta phalantha</i> (Drury)	6–1	VC
Blue Tiger	<i>Tirumala limniace</i> (Cramer)	1–12	VC
Common Five Ring	<i>Ypthima baldus</i> (Fabricius)	6–10	VR
Lycaenidae (18)			
Plum Judy	<i>Abisara echerius</i> (Stoll)	9–10	R
Large Oakblue	<i>Arhopala amantes</i> (Hewitson)	10–2	R
Common Pierrot	<i>Castalius rosimon</i> (Fabricius)	6–7	R
Forget-Me-Not	<i>Catochrysops strabo</i> (Fabricius)	1–12	C
Plains Cupid	<i>Chilades pandava</i> (Horsfield)	6–2	C
Small Cupid	<i>Chilades parrhasius</i> (Butler)	10–11	R
Lime Blue	<i>Chilades laius</i> (Stoll)	7–9	C
Eastern grass Jewel	<i>Chilades pulti</i> Kollar	6–2	C
Gram Blue	<i>Euchrysops cnejus</i> (Fabricius)*	7–12	NR
Dark Cerulean	<i>Jamides bochus</i> (Stoll)	8–9	VR
Pea Blue	<i>Lampides boeticus</i> (Linnaeus)*	9–2	C
Zebra Blue	<i>Leptotes plinius</i> Fabricius	7–9	C
Common Line Blue	<i>Prosotas nora</i> (C. Felder)	1–12	C
Pale Grass Blue	<i>Psuedozizeeria maha</i> (Kollar)	7	R
Common Silverline	<i>Spindasis vulcanus</i> (Fabricius)	6–1	VC
Rounded Pierrot	<i>Tarucus nara</i> Kollar	6–12	C
Lesser Grass Blue	<i>Zizina otis</i> (Fabricius)	6–11	R
Tiny Grass Blue	<i>Zizula hylax</i> (Fabricius)	6–8	R
Hesperiidae (9)			
Brown Awl	<i>Badamia exclamationis</i> (Fabricius)	6–10	VC
Rice Swift	<i>Borbo cinnara</i> (Wallace)	1–12	C
Blank Swift	<i>Caltoris kumara</i> (Moore)	8–10	R
Tricolour Pied Flat	<i>Coladenia indrani</i> (Moore)	6–9	C
Common Banded Awl	<i>Hasora chromus</i> (Cramer)	6–10	VC
Dark Palm Dart	<i>Telicota ancilla</i> (Herrich–Schaffer)	8–12	R
Pale Palm Dart	<i>Telicota colon</i> (Fabricius)	8–9	VR
Small-Branded Swift	<i>Pelopidas mathias</i> (Fabricius)	1–12	C
Indian Skipper	<i>Spialia galba</i> (Fabricius)	8–10	R

VC - very common (> 100 sightings); C - common (50–100 sightings); NR - not rare (15–50 sightings); R - rare (2–15 sightings); VR - very rare (1-2 sightings); * - Listed in Indian Wildlife (Protection) Act 1972

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