

COMMONLY CONFUSED

WITH MONARCH



Photo: Michel Tremblay

ADULT MONARCH

Danaus plexippus

9 to 11 cm.
Orange wings with black veins
and white-spotted edges.



Photo: André Sarrazin

MONARCH CATERPILLAR

Yellow, black and white stripes.
Black filaments at both ends
of the body.



Photo: Michael Gimelfarb

BLACK SWALLOWTAIL CATERPILLAR

Papilio polyxenes

Green with black and yellow spots.
No filaments at the ends. Does not
feed on milkweed.



Photo: Dustin Minialoff

MILKWEED TIGER MOTH CATERPILLAR

Euchaetes egle

They resemble milkweed caterpillars
in the first few days, but congregate
in groups. After a few days, their
bodies are covered in tufts of black,
white, brownish-orange and yellow
hair.

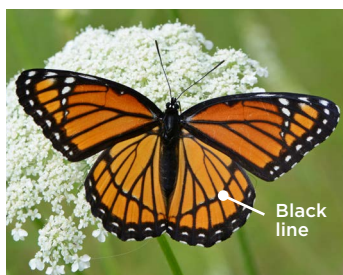


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VICEROY

Limenitis archippus

Smaller than monarchs (7 to 8 cm).
Hindwings marked with a black line
running across the veins.

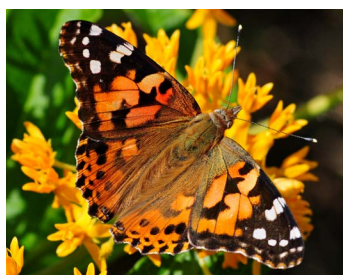


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PAINTED LADY

Vanessa cardui

6 cm.
Various colours and complex
patterns on wings.



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RED ADMIRAL

Vanessa atalanta

6 cm.
Various colours and no black
veins on wings.

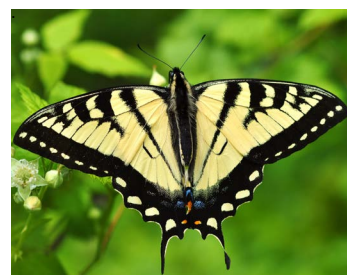


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CANADIAN TIGER SWALLOWTAIL

Papilio canadensis

7 to 8 cm.
"Tails" on hindwings. Bright yellow
wings with black markings.



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FRITILLARIES

6 to 8 cm.
Rounded wings dotted with
black spots.

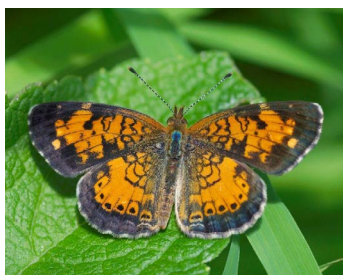


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CHECKERSPOTS

Up to 4.5 cm.
Very wide black borders on upper
surface of wings, with dark spots
in the centre of the forewings.



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COMMAS

5 to 6.5 cm.
Irregular shape, lacy wings.

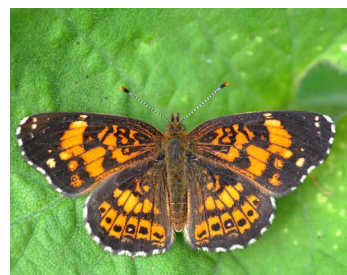


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CRESCENTS

Less than 4 cm.
Rounded wings.