

# **SHEET** mission monarch

# COMMONLY CONFUSED

# WITH MONARCH



Photo: Michel Tremblay

## **ADULT MONARCH**

Danaus plexippus

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



Prioto. Andre Sarrazini

#### **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

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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.



Photo: Maxim Larrivée

### **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.



Photo: Maxim Larrivée

# 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.



Photo: Maxim Larrivée

### **COMMAS**

5 to 6.5 cm. Irregular shape, lacy wings.



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### **CRESCENTS**

Less than 4 cm. Rounded wings.

