

Food Plants for Butterfly Caterpillars

| Butterfly | Larval Food Plants |
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| SWALLOWTAILS | |
| Black Swallowtail | Wild Carrot (Queen Anne's Lace), Parsley, Dill, Fennel |
| Eastern Tiger Swallowtail | Tulip Poplar (Linodendron), Wild Black Cherry (Prunus), Sassafras |
| Spicebush Swallowtail | Spicebush (Lindera), Sassafras |
| BRUSHFOOTS | |
| Monarch | Milkweed (Asclepias tuberosa, A. seriaca, A. incarnata) |
| Mourning Cloak | Willow (Salix), Birch (Betula), Elm (Ulmus), Cottonwood (Populus) |
| Viceroy | Willow, Cottonwood |
| Painted Lady | Thistle, Hollyhock, Borage, other composites |
| American Painted Lady | Pearly Everlasting (Anaphalis), Pussytoes (Antennaria), composites |
| Red-spotted Purple | Wild Black Cherry, Poplar (Populus), Birch |
| Red Admiral | Nettles (Urtica), False Nettles (Boehmeria) |
| Eastern Comma (Angelwing) | Nettles, False Nettles, Hackberry (Celtis), Hops (Humulus) |
| Question Mark (Angelwing) | Elm, Willow, Nettles, False Nettles, Hackberry, Hops |
| Checkerspots | Asters, Sunflowers, Beardtongue (Penstemon), Indian Paintbrush |
| Baltimore Checkerspot | Turtlehead (Chelone), Plantain |
| Pearl Crescent | Asters (Symphyotrichum, Doellingeria, Eurbia, Ionactis,) |
| Fritillaries | Violet (Viola), Willow, Blueberry (Vaccinium) |
| Common Buckeye | Snapdragon, Turtlehead, Monkey Flower (Mimulus), Plantain |
| GOSSAMER WINGS | |
| Coral & Striped Hairstreaks | Wild Black Cherry |
| Banded Hairstreak | Oak (Quercus), Walnut (Juglans), Hickory (Carya) |
| Edward's Hairstreak | Oak |
| Juniper Hairstreak | Eastern Red-cedar (Juniperus) |
| American Copper | Curled Dock, Sheep-sorrel |
| Eastern Tailed Blue | Clover & Alfalfa, Vetches, other Legumes, Lupine (Lupinus) |
| Spring Azure | Variety of trees & shrubs including Dogwood (Swida, Cornus), NJ Tea (Ceanothus), Viburnum, Wild Cherry, Meadowsweet (Spirea) |
| Harvesters | Larvae do not eat plants. These caterpillars feed on Wooley Aphids. |
| WHITES & YELLOWS | |
| Cabbage Whites | Plants in mustard family: Cabbage, Broccoli; Nasturtium |
| Yellows | Sennas, Legumes |
| Clouded Sulphur | Clover, Alfalfa |
| SKIPPERS | |
| Silver-spotted Skipper | Legumes, False Indigo |
| Grass Skippers | Little Blue Stem (Schizachyrium), Panic Grass (Panicum) |
| Common Wood Nymph | Purple-top Grass (Tridens), Sedges (Carex) |
| Juvenal's Duskywing | Oak |