

## UTTERFLIES OF SA



**COMMON BIRDWING** Troides helena



KINABALU BIRDWING *Troides andromache* Endemic to Borneo



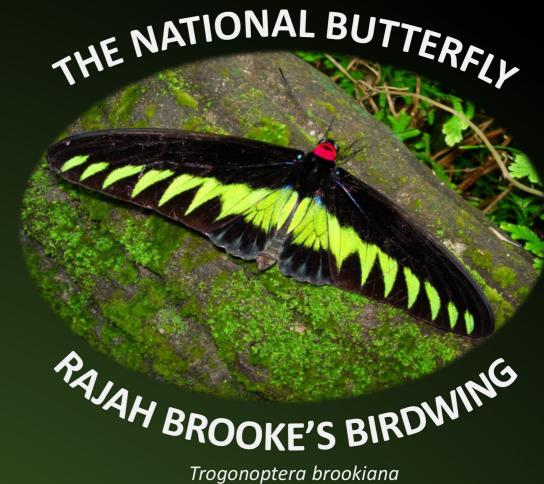
**GREAT MORMON** Papilio memnon



**EMERALD SWALLOWTAIL** Papilio palinurus



YELLOW HELEN Papilio nephelus





**COMMON JAY** Graphium doson

**BLUE PANSY** 



**TAILED JAY** Graphium agamemnon



COMMON MORMON Papilio polytes



COMMON ROSE Pachliopta aristolochiae



**PAPILIONIDAE** 

BANDED SWALLOWTAIL Papilio demolion

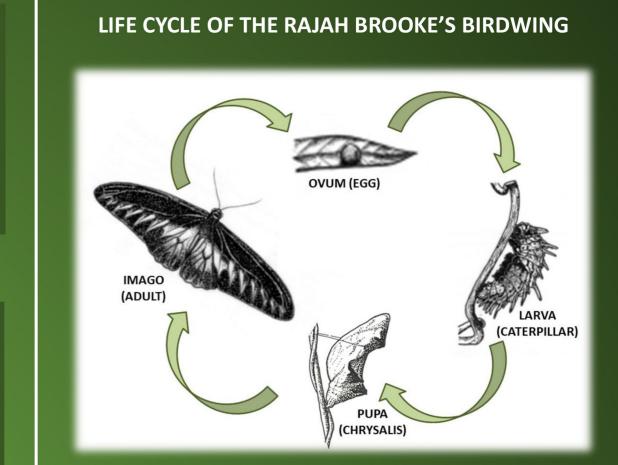
There are some 940 species of butterflies in Borneo, with 81 species found only on this island. Featured here are selected butterfly species in Sabah. There are four stages of a butterfly life cycle, namely ovum (egg), larva (caterpillar), pupa (chrysalis) and imago (adult).



MALAY LACEWING Cethosia hypsea



STRIPED BLUE COW Euploea mulciber



Junonia orithya

**GLASSY TIGER** Parantica luzonensis



DARK BLUE TIGER Tirumala septentrionis

MALAYAN OWL

Neorina lowii



**COMMANDER** Moduza procris

TREE NYMPH

Idea stolli



Parthenos sylvia





MALAY YEOMAN Cirrochroa emalea



**COMMON TIGER** Danaus genutia



**GRAY GLASSY TIGER** Ideopsis juventa



**COMMON NAWAB** Polyura athamas



Vindula erota



STRAIGHT LINE MAPWING Cyrestis nivea



**NYMPHALIDAE** 

STRIPED BLACK CROW Euploea eyndhovii



Eurema hecabe



MALAYAN GRASS YELLOW Eurema nicevillei



**ORANGE GULL** Cepora iudith



**GREAT ORANGE-TIP** Hebomoia glaucippe



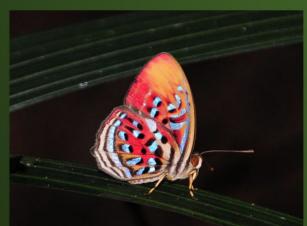
MALAYAN WANDERER Pareronia valeria



**CHOCOLATE ALBATROSS** Appias lyncida



TREE YELLOW Gandaca harina



**COMMON RED HARLEQUIN** Paralaxita telesia



BANDED RED HARLEQUIN Paralaxita orphna



**PSYCHE** Leptosia nina



MALAYAN JEZEBEL Delias henningia

**CENTAUR OAKBLUE** 

Arhopala centaurus



**COMMON EMMIGRANT** Catopsilia pomona



LYCAENIDAE



FOREST WHITE, Udaiana cynis

## DO YOU KNOW?

Most of the butterflies that are seen puddling on mud are males. They are consuming minerals, mainly sodium before mating. The males have to sustain high activity levels to fly and locate receptive females. The sodium taken by the males is also used to enhance reproductive success, which is transferred to the females together with the spermatophore during copulation to enhance the survival rate of the fertilised eggs.



Chilades pandava



**GRASS SKIPPER** Unkana ambasa



**SNOW FLAT** Tagiades gana



**BRANDED IMPERIAL** Eooxylides tharis



SPREAD-WINGED SKIPPER Taractrocera luzonensis

## IMPORTANCE OF BUTTERFLIES

Butterflies are important pollinators for agricultural crops and rainforest trees. They are the third most populace pollinator behind bees, wasps and flies. Without pollinators, there will be no fruits and this will adversely affect the food supply for humans as well as animals. They are also often used as bioindicators on the health status of the environment as they are sensitive towards environmental changes.



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