

Butterflies in West Eugene



The list below follows the scientific, taxonomic order of the North American Butterfly Association's Checklist of North American Butterflies Occurring North of Mexico (2001). For information on the 78 common butterfly species in our area, please consult the North America Butterfly Association's "Finding Lane County Butterflies" (2004) or "Butterflies of Lane County" (2005), both written by Neil Björklund. For images of butterfly species in the checklist for the wetlands, consult Butterflies and Moths of North America.

Papilionidae (Swallowtails)

Common Name	Scientific Name
Clodius parnassian	<i>Parnassius clodius</i>
Anise Swallowtail	<i>Papilio zelicaon</i>
Western tiger swallowtail	<i>Papilio rutulus</i>
Pale swallowtail	<i>Papilio eurymedo</i>

Pieridae (Whites and Sulphurs)

Pine white	<i>Neophasia menapia</i>
Mustard white	<i>Pieris marginalis</i>
Cabbage white	<i>Pieris rapae</i>
Western white	<i>Pontia occidentalis</i>
Sara orangetip	<i>Anthocaris sara</i>
Orange sulphur	<i>Colias eurytheme</i>
Cloudless sulphur	<i>Phoebis sennae</i> (observed by Paul Hammond on May 23, 1992 at Willow Creek Natural Area)

Lycaenidae (Coppers, Hairstreaks, and Blues)

Western tailed-blue	<i>Everes amyntula</i>
Eastern tailed-blue	<i>Everes comyntas</i>
Spring azure	<i>Calastrina ladon</i>
Slivery blue	<i>Glaucopsyche lygdamus</i>

Lycaenidae (Coppers, Hairstreaks, and Blues)

Acmon blue	<i>Icaricia acmon</i>
Boisduval's blue, Fender's subspecies	<i>Icaricia icarioides fenderi</i>
Great copper	<i>Lycaena xanthoides</i>
Purplish copper	<i>Lycaena helloides</i>
Gray hairstreak	<i>Strymon melinus</i>

Nymphalidae (Brush-Footed Butterflies)

Field crescent	<i>Phyciodes campestris</i>
Mylitta crescent	<i>Phyciodes mylitta</i>
Satyr comma	<i>Polygonius satyrus</i>
Mourning cloak	<i>Nymphalis antiopa</i>
California tortoiseshell	<i>Nymphalis californica</i>
American lady	<i>Vanessa virginiensis</i>
West coast lady	<i>Vanessa annabella</i>
Painted lady	<i>Vanessa cardui</i>
Lorquin's admiral	<i>Limenitis lorquini</i>
California sister	<i>Adelpha bredowii</i>
Red admiral	<i>Vanessa atalanta</i>
Common buckeye	<i>Junonia coenia</i>
Monarch	<i>Danaus plexippus</i>
Common wood nymphy	<i>Cercyonis pegala</i>
Common ringlet	<i>Coenonympha tullia</i>

Hesperiidae (Skippers)

Persius duskywing	<i>Erynnis persius</i>
Propertius duskywing	<i>Erynnis propertius</i>
Two-banded checkered-skipper	<i>Pyrgus ruralis</i>
Common checkered-skipper	<i>Pyrgus communis</i>
Juba Skipper	<i>Hesperia juba</i>
Sachem	<i>Atalopedes campestris</i>
Sonoran skipper	<i>Polites sonora</i>

Hesperiidae (Skippers)

Dun skipper	<i>Euphyes vestris</i>
Woodland skipper	<i>Ochlodes sylvanoides</i>
Common roadside skipper	<i>Amblyscirtes vialis</i>

Day-Flying Moths

Ranchmans's tiger moth	<i>Platyprepia virginalis</i>
Cinnibar moth	<i>Tyria jacobaea</i>
Elegant sheep moth	<i>Hemileuca eglanterina</i>
White-lined sphinx moth	<i>Hyles lineata</i>