



BUTTERFLIES OF THE FLORIDA KEYS

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COMMON NAME	SCIENTIFIC NAME	CURRENT STATUS
Swallowtails		
Giant Swallowtail	<i>Papilio cresphontes</i>	Common
Palamedes Swallowtail	<i>Papilio palamedes</i>	Occasional or Stray
Black Swallowtail	<i>Papilio polyxenes</i> (incl. <i>kahli</i>)	Occasional or Stray
Schaus' Swallowtail	<i>Papilio aristodemus ponceanus</i>	Endangered
Polydamas Swallowtail	<i>Battus polydamas</i>	Uncommon
Bahama Swallowtail (Bahamian Swallowtail)	<i>Heraclides andraemon bonbotei</i>	Uncommon to Rare
Zebra Swallowtail	<i>Eurytides marcellus floridensis</i>	Rare, Occasional or Stray to upper Keys
WHITES & SULPHURS		
Great Southern White	<i>Ascia monuste</i>	Common to Uncommon, Sporadic
Florida White	<i>Appias drusilla</i>	Common to Uncommon, Sporadic
Checkered White	<i>Pontia protodice</i>	Rare, Occasional or Stray to upper Keys
Cloudless Sulphur	<i>Phoebis sennae</i>	Common (Sporadic)
Orange-barred Sulphur	<i>Phoebis philea</i>	Common in lower Keys
Large Orange Sulphur	<i>Phoebis agarithe</i>	Common
Statira Sulphur	<i>Phoebis statira</i>	Rare, Occasional or Stray
Dainty Sulphur	<i>Nathalis iole</i>	Common (Sporadic)
Lyside Sulphur	<i>Kricogonia lyside</i>	Uncommon and Sporadic
Barred Yellow	<i>Eurema daira</i>	Common to Uncommon
Little Yellow	<i>Eurema lisa</i>	Common
Sleepy Orange	<i>Eurema nicippe</i>	Uncommon and Sporadic
HAIRSTREAKS		
Bartram's Scrub-Hairstreak	<i>Strymon acis bartrami</i>	Endangered
Gray Hairstreak	<i>Strymon melinus</i>	Common
Martial Scrub-Hairstreak	<i>Strymon martialis</i>	Common to Uncommon and Sporadic
Mallow Scrub-Hairstreak (Modest Hairstreak)	<i>Strymon istapa</i> (<i>Strymon columella</i>)	Common to Uncommon
Fulvous Hairstreak	<i>Electrostrymon angelia</i>	Common to Uncommon
Red-banded Hairstreak	<i>Calycopis cecrops</i>	Uncommon
Silver-banded Hairstreak (St. Christopher's Hairstreak)	<i>Chlorostrymon simaethis</i>	Uncommon to Rare (declining)
Amethyst Hairstreak (Maesites Hairstreak)	<i>Chlorostrymon maesites</i>	Uncommon to Rare (sporadic)
Gray Ministreak	<i>Ministrymon azia</i>	Uncommon to Rare (search near host: exotic lead tree)
BRUSHFOOTS AND LEAFWINGS		
Gulf Fritillary	<i>Agraulis vanillae</i>	Common
Variiegated Fritillary	<i>Euptoleta claudia</i>	Uncommon, Stray
Julia Longwing	<i>Dryas iulia</i>	Common to Uncommon
Zebra Longwing	<i>Heliconius charithonia</i>	Common (Florida's State Butterfly)
Phaon Crescent	<i>Phyciodes phaon</i>	Uncommon
Pearl Crescent	<i>Phyciodes tharos</i>	Common to Uncommon
Cuban Crescent	<i>Anthanassa frisia</i>	Rare
Red Admiral	<i>Vanessa atalanta</i>	Uncommon and Sporadic
Common Buckeye	<i>Junonia coenia</i>	Common
Mangrove Buckeye	<i>Junonia evarete</i>	Common
Tropical Buckeye	<i>Junonia genoveva</i>	Uncommon to Rare

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White Peacock	<i>Anartia jatrophae</i>	Common but Sporadic
Malachite	<i>Siproeta stelenes</i>	Uncommon and Sporadic
Ruddy Daggerwing	<i>Marpesia petreus</i>	Common to Uncommon
Florida Purplewing	<i>Eunica tatila tatilista</i>	Common in Up. Keys, Missing from Low. Keys
Dingy Purplewing	<i>Eunica monima</i>	Rare, Declining, possibly Extirpated from Keys
Florida Leafwing	<i>Anaea troglodyte floralis</i>	Endangered, possibly Extirpated from Keys
MILKWEED BUTTERFLIES		
Monarch	<i>Danaus plexippus</i>	Common (Sporadic)
Queen	<i>Danaus gilippus</i>	Common (Sporadic)
Soldier	<i>Danaus eresimus</i>	Uncommon, Occasional or Stray
BLUES		
Cassius Blue	<i>Leptotes cassius</i>	Common (Abundant)
Ceraunus Blue	<i>Hemiargus ceraunus</i>	Common (Abundant)
Eastern Pygmy Blue	<i>Brephidium pseudofoea</i>	Common near host glassworts/saltworts
Miami Blue	<i>Cyclargus thomasi bethunebakeri</i>	Endangered
Acacia Blue (Nickerbean Blue)	<i>Cyclargus ammon</i>	Rare, may be Extinct
SPREADWING SKIPPERS		
Mangrove Skipper	<i>Phocides pigmalion</i>	Common
Hammock Skipper	<i>Polygonus leo</i>	Common
Long-tailed Skipper	<i>Urbanus proteus</i>	Common but Sporadic
Dorantes Longtail	<i>Urbanus dorantes</i>	Common but Sporadic
Florida Duskywing	<i>Ephyriades brunnea floridensis</i>	Common (Locally Abundant Big Pine Key)
Zarucco Duskywing	<i>Erynnis zarucco</i>	Rare (Declining)
White Checkered-Skipper	<i>Pyrgus albescens</i>	Common
Tropical Checkered-Skipper	<i>Pyrgus oileus</i>	Common
GRASS-SKIPPERS		
Fieri Skipper	<i>Hylephila phyleus</i>	Common but Sporadic
Southern Broken-Dash	<i>Wallengrenia otho</i>	Common but Sporadic
Sachem	<i>Atalopedes campestris</i>	Common but Sporadic
Three-spotted Skipper	<i>Cymaenes tripuncta</i>	Uncommon
Twin-spot Skipper	<i>Oligoria maculata</i>	Uncommon (Lower Keys pinelands)
Zestos Skipper	<i>Epargyreus zestos zestos</i>	Rare, possibly Extirpated from the Keys
Palatka Skipper (Keys race)	<i>Euphyes pilatka klotsi</i>	Uncommon
Monk Skipper	<i>Asbolis capucinus</i>	Common
Neamathla Skipper	<i>Nastra neamathla</i>	Occasional or Stray
Clouded Skipper	<i>Lerema accius</i>	Uncommon to Rare
Southern Skipperling	<i>Copaeodes minimus</i>	Uncommon, Occasional or Stray
Baracoa Skipper	<i>Polites baracoa</i>	Uncommon to Rare
Whirlabout	<i>Polites vibex</i>	Occasional or Stray
Eufala Skipper	<i>Lerodea eufala</i>	Uncommon (Declining in the Keys)
Brazilian Skipper (Canna Skipper)	<i>Calpododes ethlius</i>	Rare, Occasional or Stray
Obscure Skipper	<i>Panoquina panoquinoides</i>	Uncommon
Ocola Skipper	<i>Panoquina ocola</i>	Rare, Occasional or Stray
Salt Marsh Skipper	<i>Panoquina panoquin</i>	Rare, Occasional or Stray
METALMARKS:		
Little Metalmark	<i>Calephelis virginensis</i>	Rare, may be Extirpated from the Keys (Last report: 1970, Big Pine Key)

FURTHER INFORMATION

Upper Keys North American Butterfly Association chapter (Miami Blue chapter): www.miamiblue.org

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Florida Keys Audubon Society Butterfly pages: www.keysaudubon.org