

Checklist to the Butterflies of Presqu'ile Provincial Park

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Abundance

Note: These codes refer to species in their proper habitat and during their peak season. Many butterfly species are erratic in their abundance in that they can be common one year and nearly absent in others. As a result, the abundance codes reflect the average.

A=Abundant: Easy to find and in large numbers (e.g. European Skipper in early July).

C=Common: Fairly easy to find, but not in large numbers (e.g. Little Wood-satyr in early July).

U=Uncommon: May require a concentrated effort to find (e.g. Arctic Skipper in late spring).

R=Rare: Usually seen each year, but in low numbers (e.g. Gray Comma in summer).

V=Vagrant: Many years may pass between sightings, but likely to be located again (e.g. American Snout in summer)

Swallowtails

- Black Swallowtail- U
- Giant Swallowtail- R
- Eastern Tiger Swallowtail- U
- Canadian Tiger Swallowtail- C

Whites and Sulphurs

- Checkered White- V
- Mustard White- U
- Cabbage White- A
- Clouded Sulphur- C
- Orange Sulphur- A
- Little Yellow- V

Lycaenids

- Harvester- E
- American Copper- V
- Bronze Copper- U
- Acadian Hairstreak- V
- Banded Hairstreak- V
- Hickory Hairstreak- V
- Striped Hairstreak- R
- Gray Hairstreak- V
- Eastern Tailed Blue- U
- Spring Azure- C
- Summer Azure- C
- Silvery Blue- C

Brush-foots

- American Snout- V
- Question Mark- U
- Eastern Comma- U
- Gray Comma- R
- Compton Tortoiseshell- R
- Mourning Cloak- C
- Milbert's Tortoiseshell- V

- American Lady- U
- Painted Lady- U
- Red Admiral- C
- Common Buckeye- R
- Great Spangled Fritillary- C
- Aphrodite Fritillary- U
- Silver-bordered Fritillary- U
- Meadow Fritillary- R
- Pearl Crescent- U
- Northern Crescent- A
- Baltimore Checkerspot- V
- White Admiral- C
- "Red-spotted Purple"*- V
- Viceroy- C
- Northern Pearly-eye- C
- Eyed Brown- C
- Appalachian Brown- V
- Little Wood-satyr- C
- Common Ringlet- A
- Common Wood-nymph- C
- Monarch- C

Skippers

- Silver-spotted Skipper- V
- Juvenal's Duskywing- R
- Columbine Duskywing- V
- Arctic Skipper- U
- Least Skipper- U
- European Skipper- A
- Fiery Skipper- V
- Leonard's Skipper- V
- Peck's Skipper- U

- Tawny-edged Skipper- U
- Crossline Skipper- R
- Long Dash- C
- Northern Broken-Dash- U
- Little Glassywing- V
- Delaware Skipper- V
- Hobomok Skipper- C
- Broad-winged Skipper- V
- Dion Skipper- V
- Dun Skipper- C

Additional Species

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Species Total: 68

Addendum:

*"Red-spotted Purple" is a rare southern form of the White Admiral; thus, it is not included in the species total.

Note: The submission of sightings is appreciated and encouraged by park staff. Particularly, if you encounter an unlisted or rare species, please document the sighting and submit your record to the Nature Centre or Main Office. Digital pictures can be very helpful, but may not be diagnostic.

