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American Lady



Caterpillar

Below is the American Lady Caterpillar. Above is the Pearly Everlasting plant which this caterpillar eats. The American Lady also feeds on Burdock, Silver Brocade, and Sweet Everlasting.



Butterfly

There are no visual differences between male and female American Lady butterflies. Once a butterfly, they eat Black-Eyed Susan along with Aster, Butterfly Blush, and Goldenrod.



Question Mark



Caterpillar

Below is the Question Mark caterpillar. Above is the Sugarberry plant that the caterpillars eat as well as Hackberry, Elm, and Hops.



Butterfly

On the Question Mark butterfly the orange side is the Dorsal/Upper side. The brown side is the Ventral/Under side. This butterfly feeds on Purple Coneflower, (pictured below) Milkweed, Sweet Pepperbush, and Aster.



Black Swallowtail



Caterpillar

Below is the Black Swallowtail caterpillar. This caterpillar eats Dill, (pictured above) Carrot, Queen Anne's Lace, and Parsley.



Butterfly

Above is the Black Swallowtail butterfly. The Black and Blue (top) is the female and the yellow (bottom) is male. These butterflies eat New England Aster, (pictured below) Thistle, Zinnia, and Purple Coneflower.



Red Admiral



Caterpillar

Below is the Red Admiral. Above is the Wood Nettle which is a part of the Red Admiral caterpillar's diet. Also included are Pennsylvania Pellitory, Mamaki, and False Nettle.



Butterfly



The Red Admiral butterfly has two different appearances, one from the upper-side of the wings (right) and one from the under-side of the wings (left). In their diet is Butterfly Weed, (pictured below) Milkweed, Purple Coneflowers, and Lilacs.



Eastern Comma



Caterpillar

Below is the Eastern Comma Caterpillar. Above is the False Nettle which is in this caterpillars diet along with Elm, Hops, and Wood Nettle.



Butterfly

The Eastern Comma butterfly has two different looks. On the under-side is the dark brown coloring. On the Upper-side is the orange coloring. This particular butterfly eats Butterfly Bush (pictured to the right), Dandelion, Rotting Fruits, and Smooth Sumac.



Monarch



Caterpillar

Below is the Monarch caterpillar. Above is the Milkweed plant that this caterpillar consumes. Along with the Milkweed, this caterpillar eats Butterfly Weed.



Butterfly

For Monarch butterflies there is a slight difference between males and females. The males (pictured above) have thinner lines on their wings. The Female have the thicker lines. Both male and female eat new England Aster, (pictured right) Mexican Sunflower, Milkweed, and



Spicebush Swallowtail



Caterpillar

Below is the Spicebush Swallowtail caterpillar. This caterpillar eats Spicebush, (pictured above) Camphor Trees, and Sassafras.



Butterfly

The male (pictured above) have slight yellow and orange coloring in addition to the blue that females have. The female is pictured to the right. Both genders eat Pink Delight butterfly Bush, (pictured right) milkweed, honeysuckle, and Aster.

