

# Common Garden Butterflies



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# Butterfly Guide



The UK has 59 species of butterflies. Some of these are strict habitat specialists, the rarest being confined to carefully managed areas of woodland, wetland and grassland, while others are more widespread. The most common butterflies are able to feed and breed on plants that grow in gardens. Identify your flying visitors with this handy chart of the most common garden butterflies. Learn when to look out for them by studying their flight-times.

**Brimstone**

J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D
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**Large White**

J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D
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**Speckled Wood**

J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D
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**Gatekeeper**

J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D
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**Meadow Brown**

J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D
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**Red Admiral**

J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D
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**Small White**

J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D
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**Green-veined White**

J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D
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**Painted Lady**

J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D
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**Small Tortoiseshell**

J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D
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**Orange-tip**

J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D
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**Holly Blue**

J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D
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**Peacock**

J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D
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**Comma**

J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D
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Images are not to scale. Flight periods can vary slightly dependent on UK location.  
Butterflies are likely to emerge later the further north you travel.

# Garden for Butterflies

Discover which plants will attract butterflies to your garden, find out more about caterpillar foodplants and get inspiration for your outdoor space at [www.butterfly-conservation.org/gardening](http://www.butterfly-conservation.org/gardening)



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