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SWALLOWTAILS & BIRDWINGS	
<p>Dingy Swallowtail <i>Papilio anactus</i> Wingspan 7 cm. Soft creamy brown forewing with clearly marked cream brown and red spots on hind wing; feeds on citrus and local lime</p>	
<p>Chequered Swallowtail <i>Papilio demoleus stenelus</i> Wingspan 10 cm. Brown and cream chequers with blue 'eyes' and red spots on hindwing, common in dry inland; eggs laid on citrus</p>	
<p>Orchard Swallowtail <i>Papilio aegaeus aegaeus</i> Wingspan 12 cm. Large brightly coloured brown forewing, white orange & brown hind wing; observed in small groups around wilgas in this region, larvae feed on citrus and wilga</p>	
DANAIDS, BROWNS, FRITILLARIES & NYMPHS	
<p>Lesser Wanderer <i>Danaus chrysippus petilia</i> Wingspan 6 cm. Orange with brown trim; common tropical and inland; low floating flight; feeds on grasses and nardoo</p>	
<p>Common Crow <i>Euploea core corinna</i> Wingspan 5 cm. Black with a row of white spots along wing edges; common tropical species; larvae on oleanders, hoyas, ficus, marsdenias.</p>	
<p>Grey or Dingy Ringlet <i>Hypocysta pseudirius</i> Wingspan 3 cm. Wings brown with orange blotches surrounding large 'eye'; Mackay to Woolongong; flies August to May; likes the shade</p>	
<p>Meadow Argus <i>Junonia villida calybe</i> Wingspan 5 cm. Orange, brown with six large eyes, lands with wings open; Australia wide, flies throughout year in Qld; eggs green, almost barrel shaped; larvae feed on snapdragons, Australian centaury, portulacas and verbenas</p>	
<p>Australian Painted Lady <i>Vanessa kershawi</i> Wingspan 5 cm. Red brown and black patterned wings; one of the most widely distributed in the world; quick darting flight; larvae eat everlasting daisy (Helichrysum)</p>	
WHITES AND YELLOWS	
<p>Caper White <i>Belenois java teutonia</i> Wingspan 5 cm. White with black trim on wings; migrates from NSW to Qld in countless thousands; first species brought to England by Sir Joseph Banks; eggs on capparis trees</p>	
<p>White Migrant <i>Catopsilia pyranthe crokera</i> Wingspan 5 cm. White; northern and eastern Australia, has a wide range to India and the Solomons; lays eggs on sennas and cassias</p>	

<p>Wood white <i>Delias aganippe</i> Wingspan 7 cm. White with black edge trim, underside of wings red spots with yellow; southern Australia, but frequently observed in this region; flies September - April; eggs yellow, elongated with vertical ribbing; larvae feed on mistletoe and exocarpos species</p>	
<p>Striated Pearl-white, Chalk White <i>Elodina parthia</i> Wingspan 3.5 cm. White with black tips on the larger wings; flies throughout the year; often masses around capparid specimens during egg laying season</p>	
<p>Large Grass-yellow <i>Eurema hecabe phoebus</i> Wingspan 4 cm. Bright yellow with black trim: common northern Australia; flies throughout the year; wide range of food plants - bryonias & indigofera common</p>	
<p>Small Grass-yellow <i>Eurema smilax</i> Wingspan 3 cm. Small yellow, most widely distributed species in Australia; eggs on cassias, sennas and neptunias</p>	
<p>BLUES, HAIRSTREAKS & COPPERS</p>	
<p>Emerald Hairstreak <i>Jalmenus daemeli</i> Wingspan 3 cm. Wings have blue centres with soft brown surrounds; found Cairns to Millmerran; flies October to March; feeds on brigalow and other wattles; meat ants tend larvae and pupae</p>	
<p>Imperial Hairstreak <i>Jalmenus evagoras eubulus</i> Wingspan 4 cm. Cream with black trim and a black tail on hindwing; common Vic. to Qld; reluctant to fly so keeps to a localized area; feeds on wattle and mature brigalow; larvae attended by ants .</p>	
<p>Wattle Blue <i>Theclinesthes miskini miskini</i> Wingspan 2 cm. Blue with black trim; common Cairns to NSW; flies September to May, larvae feed on macrozamia, cycads and grasses</p>	
<p>Little or Tiny Grass-blue <i>Zizula hylax attenuata</i> Wingspan 1.5 cm. Soft blue with brown trim; small size; northern Australia; flies February to April; found among grass</p>	
<p>DARTERS & SKIPPERS</p>	
<p>Green Grass-dart, Yellow-banded dart <i>Ocybadistes walkeri sothis</i> Wingspan 1.5 cm. Brown and orange wings, underside of hind wing fringed green; small and moth like; found in southern Qld, NSW and Tasmania; Common among grass</p>	
<p>Banded Grass-skipper <i>Toxidia parvulus</i> Wingspan 2 cm. Dark brown tiny patterned wings; flies September-April; larvae on grass</p>	
<p>Large dingy skipper <i>Toxidia peron</i> Wingspan 3 cm. Small brown with pale brown underside; eastern Australian states; flies September to May; eggs dome-shaped; larvae have large hard dull black heads, feed on grasses.</p>	

Please let us know if you have further confirmed sightings