

# Falls Lake Butterfly Checklist



American Copper

## Seasons

SP - Spring - March to May  
 SU - Summer - June to August  
 FA - Falls - September to November  
 WI - Winter - December to February  
 Y - Year Round  
 M - Migratory

## Abundance

Abundant - always present in large numbers  
 Common - almost always present  
 Fairly Common - usually seen most days  
 Uncommon - present but not always seen  
 Occasional - not always seen or low numbers  
 Rare - not seen most years  
 Very Rare - seen once every five or more years  
 Irregular - highly variable from year to year  
 Accidental - not to be expected

## Swallowtails

|                           |               |            |
|---------------------------|---------------|------------|
| Pipeline Swallowtail      | Occasional    | SP, SU, FA |
| Zebra Swallowtail         | Fairly Common | SP, SU     |
| Black Swallowtail         | Common        | SP, SU, FA |
| Eastern Tiger Swallowtail | Common        | SP, SU, FA |
| Spicebush Swallowtail     | Fairly Common | SP, SU     |

## Whites and Sulphurs

|                      |               |            |
|----------------------|---------------|------------|
| Checkered White      | Uncommon      | SU, FA     |
| Great Southern White | Accidental    | SU         |
| Cabbage White        | Common        | SP, SU, FA |
| Falcate Orangetip    | Common        | SP         |
| Clouded Sulphur      | Fairly Common | SP, SU, FA |
| Orange Sulphur       | Fairly Common | SP, SU, FA |
| Cloudless Sulphur    | Fairly Common | SP, SU, FA |
| Little Yellow        | Rare          | SU, FA     |
| Sleepy Orange        | Common        | SP, SU, FA |

## Hairstreaks and blues

|                         |               |            |
|-------------------------|---------------|------------|
| Harvester               | Occasional    | SP, SU, FA |
| American Copper         | Rare          | SP         |
| Great Purple Hairstreak | Occasional    | SU, FA     |
| Coral Hairstreak        | Occasional    | SU         |
| Banded Hairstreak       | Occasional    | SU         |
| Striped Hairstreak      | Rare          | SP         |
| Henry's Elfin           | Uncommon      | SP         |
| Eastern Pine Elfin      | Uncommon      | SP         |
| Juniper Hairstreak      | Uncommon      | SP, SU     |
| Southern Hairstreak     | Rare          | SP         |
| White-M Hairstreak      | Occasional    | SU         |
| Gray Hairstreak         | Fairly Common | SU, FA     |
| Red-banded Hairstreak   | Fairly Common | SP, SU, FA |
| Eastern Tailed-blue     | Abundant      | SP, SU, FA |
| Spring Azure            | Abundant      | SP         |
| Summer Azure            | Abundant      | SU, FA     |

## Brushfoots

|                           |               |            |
|---------------------------|---------------|------------|
| American Snout            | Fairly Common | SP, SU, FA |
| Gulf Fritillary           | Rare          | SU, FA     |
| Variagated Fritillary     | Common        | SP, SU, FA |
| Great Spangled Fritillary | Occasional    | SU         |
| Silvery Checkerspot       | Occasional    | SU, FA     |
| Pearl Crescent            | Abundant      | SP, SU, FA |
| Question Mark             | Common        | Y, M       |
| Eastern Comma             | Common        | SP, SU, FA |
| Mourning Cloak            | Common        | Y, M       |
| American Lady             | Common        | SP, SU, FA |
| Painted Lady              | Uncommon      | SU, FA     |
| Red Admiral               | Common        | Y, M       |
| Common Buckeye            | Common        | SP, SU, FA |
| Red-spotted Purple        | Common        | SP, SU, FA |
| Viceroy                   | Fairly Common | SU, FA     |
| Hackberry Emperor         | Fairly Common | SP, SU, FA |
| Tawny Emperor             | Fairly Common | SU, FA     |

## Brushfoots cont.

|                     |               |               |
|---------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Southern Pearly-eye | Fairly Common | SU, FA        |
| Northern Pearly-eye | Fairly Common | SU            |
| Appalachian Brown   | Occasional    | SU            |
| Gemmed Satyr        | Common        | SP, SU, FA    |
| Carolina Satyr      | Common        | SP, SU, FA    |
| Little Wood-Satyr   | Common        | SP, SU, FA    |
| Common Wood-nymph   | Fairly Common | SP, SU, FA    |
| Monarch             | Fairly Common | SP, SU, FA, M |

## Skippers

|                          |               |            |
|--------------------------|---------------|------------|
| Silver-spotted Skipper   | Common        | SP, SU, FA |
| Hoary Edge               | Common        | SP, SU     |
| Southern Cloudywing      | Common        | SP, SU     |
| Northern Cloudywing      | Uncommon      | SP, SU     |
| Confused Cloudywing      | Occasional    | SP, SU     |
| Juvenal's Duskywing      | Abundant      | SP         |
| Horace's Duskywing       | Abundant      | SU         |
| Wild Indigo Duskywing    | Occasional    | SP, SU, FA |
| Common Checkered-skipper | Fairly Common | SU, FA     |
| Common Sootywing         | Common        | SU         |
| Swarthy Skipper          | Occasional    | SU, FA     |
| Clouded Skipper          | Common        | SU, FA     |
| Least Skipper            | Fairly Common | SP, SU, FA |
| Fiery Skipper            | Common        | SU, FA     |
| Tawny-edged Skipper      | Uncommon      | SU, FA     |
| Crossline Skipper        | Uncommon      | SU, FA     |
| Southern Broken-dash     | Occasional    | SU, FA     |
| Northern Broken-dash     | Occasional    | SU, FA     |
| Little Glassywing        | Fairly Common | SU, FA     |
| Sachem                   | Abundant      | SU, FA     |
| Delaware Skipper         | Uncommon      | SU, FA     |
| Zabulon Skipper          | Uncommon      | SP, SU, FA |
| Dion Skipper             | Occasional    | SU, FA     |
| Dun Skipper              | Fairly Common | SU, FA     |
| Dusted Skipper           | Uncommon      | SP         |
| Pepper and Salt Skipper  | Rare          | SP         |
| Eufala Skipper           | Uncommon      | SU, FA     |
| Ocola Skipper            | Occasional    | SU, FA     |

Butterfly list @ 83 species as of 9/30/2008.

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