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Guernsey has 19 species of butterfly that breed here and another 2 species which regularly migrate to the island.

Only with the right foodplants can each butterfly species lay eggs for the next generation which is why they are very vulnerable to changes in the habitats that are available in Guernsey.

Butterflies start life as eggs which are laid on plants, such as leaves, grasses or branches.

Butterflies hatch from these eggs and eat plants until they have grown big enough to form a pupa. Inside the pupa the caterpillar's body is completely broken down and recreated into the adult form which emerges as a butterfly. This amazing process is called **metamorphosis**.

Butterflies are very fussy about what plants their caterpillars will eat and different species depend on particular **foodplants**.

Adult butterflies live for anything from a few days (Common Blue) to a year for those butterflies that **hibernate** through the winter (Peacock).

We can all do positive things within our gardens and school grounds to support butterflies, by providing the right foodplants for caterpillars, leaving areas wild where eggs, caterpillars and pupa can develop and by planting pollinator patches to provide a nectar source for adults.

For tips and advice on gardening for wildlife visit: pollinatorproject.gg

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Butterflies overwinter as either **eggs** (Purple Hairstreak), caterpillars (Meadow Brown), **pupae** or **chrysalis** (Holly Blue) and some as adults (Small Tortoiseshell). The Speckled Wood is unique in its ability to survive the winter as either a pupa (chrysalis) or a caterpillar. Some species, like the Painted Lady, cannot withstand our cold winters and migrate northwards from their breeding areas in North Africa each spring.

When adult butterflies emerge from their pupa, their wings are curled tightly around them. They pump them up to full size with their blood and dry them before flying for the first time. These butterflies feed on nectar, find a mate and lay the eggs for the next generation and the cycle begins once again.



Guernsey Arts Commission

The Guernsey Arts Commission supports, promotes and facilitates all forms of art, connecting artists, arts organisations and businesses. We believe that: The arts should be accessible to everyone; Creativity enriches the lives of individuals and our community; Appreciation of the arts is nurtured by exposure and education; The arts contribute to community identity.

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We raise awareness of the genuine contribution we can each make to the enhancement of Guernsey's biodiversity by providing food and habitats for pollinators. We encourage the community to take action in their gardens, allotments, window boxes and balconies to make them pollinator-friendly.

www.pollinatorproject.gg



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They do not eat but drink a sugary fluid called nectar which is produced by flowers.

Butterflies have a very long coiled straw-like tongue called a proboscis to drink nectar through.

The colours on their wings are made by millions of tiny light-reflecting scales.

Butterflies can taste through their feet.

Butterflies are relatively short-sighted; only sensing light, colour and movement at distance.

A butterfly's eyes are made up of thousands of lenses.

Using the Guernsey Butterfly leaflet, colour, paint or decorate your butterfly.
Don't forget to tick which butterfly you made!
Or let your imagination flow.

Why not stick on eyes, antennae and legs?

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- Brown Argus
- Comma
- Common Blue
- Gatekeeper
- Glanville Fritillary
- Grayling

- Meadow Brown
- Peacock
- Purple Hairstreak
- Red Admiral

- Green Hairstreak
- Green-veined White
- Holly Blue
- Large White

- Small Copper
- Small Tortoiseshell
- Small White
- Speckled Wood
- Wall

Age _____

Name _____

School _____

Household contact _____

Share & Care
Don't need your butterfly sheet? Offer to your neighbours, friends or relatives.
Need more butterfly sheets?
Visit pollinatorproject.gg

In Celebration of
BIODIVERSITY DAY
22 May 2020

Please return your entries to your school if applicable or Guernsey Arts Commission at Candie Museum between
22-30 June 2020

Disclaimer:
This C19 Lockdown competition is open to everyone of any age resident in Guernsey. Strictly one entry per person. You can either chose to enter for a prize for your school (if applicable) or for your household. Our competition may be promoted via each entities social media and website. The winners will be chosen by Nedbank, Guernsey Arts Commission and the Pollinator Project and announced by social media (and school if applicable) by 10 July 2020. Please note artwork will not be returned once the competition is closed but will be used for educational and publicity purposes. In keeping with the provisions of The Data Protection (Bailiwick of Guernsey) Law 2017, any personal information provided will be used solely for the purpose intended and deleted thereafter.