

References Useful for Butterflies

Books:

- Butterflies Through Binoculars: the East by Jeffrey Glassberg, NY Oxford University Press, 1999. Very user friendly with distribution maps
- Butterflies and Moths A Golden Nature Guide. Pictures of caterpillars and host plants but limited in scope
- Field Guide to the Butterflies of North America, East of the Great Plains by Alexander Klots No. 4 in the Peterson field guide series. Good because it has arrows to the salient different points between similar species
- The Audubon Society Field Guide to North American Butterflies by Robert Pyle. Lots of photographs so more examples and covers the whole country
- Butterflies of the East Coast: An Observer's guide by Rich Cech and Guy Tudor. This is a coffee table book, not a field guide. Has much more life history information than the field guides.
- Caterpillars of Eastern North America by David Wagner. Princeton, Princeton University Press, 2005. The book on caterpillars!
- Caterpillars in the Field and Garden by Allen, Brock and Glassberg. Oxford, Oxford University Press. 2005
- The Family Butterfly Book by Rick Mikula. Not only has great descriptive identification of the common species, but also projects and activities
- Peterson First Guides - Butterflies and Moths: A Simplified Field Guide to the Common Butterflies and Moths of North America . A nice pocket guide for the beginner

Internet: There are many but we find these the most helpful

- www.butterfliesandmoths.org Gives great photos and you can get city and count lists for everywhere in USA.
- www.discoverlife.org You can enter whatever you know about any organism and it will give you a list of possibilities.
- www.butterfliesofamerica.com Just butterflies and lots of good data.
- www.vararespecies.org Atlas of rare butterflies, skipper, moths, dragonflies, and damselflies of Virginia. A DCR and VDGIF site.
- www.albemarle.org/nativeplants The Piedmont Virginia Native Plant Database - terrific site where you can sort by plants that butterflies are attracted to
- www.monarchbutterflyfund.org Foundation started by Lincoln Brower for Monarch conservation
- www.monarchwatch.org All things Monarch.

DVDs, movies: They do not replace time in the field (what does) but can be a good review of characteristics and habits.

- Audubon Videoguide to Butterflies, Common and Uncommon
- Common Butterflies and Skippers of Eastern North America A DVD by Richard Walton and Greg Dodge
- *The Incredible Journey of the Butterflies* PBS/NOVA documentary about the Monarch migration (Lincoln Brower is one of featured authorities) - free streaming online at www.pbs.org/wgbh/nova/nature/journey-butterflies.html
- *Flight of the Butterflies*: Brilliantly-filmed documentary on the Monarch migration. Playing in IMAX theatres around the world. Closest to Cville: Smithsonian Museum of Natural History (Wash. D.C). (See website for more info and trailer. www.flightofthebutterflies.com)