

Butterflies and skippers possible in Santa Cruz County

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				Seen	Photo conf.
Superfamily Papilionoidea	True butterflies				
Family Papilionidae	Parnassians and Swallowtails				
Subfamily Parnassinae	Parnassians	None			
Subfamily Papilioninae	Swallowtails				
	<i>Battus philenor</i>	Pipevine swallowtail, blue swallowtail			
	<i>Papilio zelicaon</i>	Anise swallowtail			
	<i>Papilio rutulus</i>	Western tiger swallowtail		X	
	<i>Papilio eurymedon</i>	Pale swallowtail		X	
Family Pieridae	Whites and sulphurs				
Subfamily Pierinae	Whites				
	<i>Pontia sisymbrii</i>	Spring white			
	<i>Pontia protodice</i>	Checkered white			
	<i>Pieris marginalis</i>	Margined white			
	<i>Pieris rapae</i>	Cabbage butterfly, cabbage white			
	<i>Euchloe ausonides</i>	Large marble			
	<i>Anthocaris sara</i>	Pacific orangetip			
Subfamily Coliadinae	Sulphurs and Yellows				
	<i>Colias eurytheme</i>	Orange sulphur, alfalfa butterfly		X	X
	<i>Zerene eurydice</i>	California dogface	[Unlikely]		
	<i>Phoebis sennae</i>	Cloudless sulphur			
Family Lycaenida	Harvester, coppers, hairstreaks and blues				
Subfamily Miletinae	Harvesters	None			
Subfamily Lycaeninae	Coppers				
	<i>Lycaena arota</i>	Tailed copper			
	<i>Lycaena xanthoides</i>	Great copper			
	<i>Lycaena gorgon</i>	Gorgon copper			
	<i>Lycaena helloides</i>	Purplish copper			

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Subfamily Theclinae	Hairstreaks				
	<i>Habrodais grunus</i>	Golden hairstreak		X	X
	<i>Atlides halesus</i>	Great purple hairstreak			
	<i>Satyrium sylvinus</i>	Sylvan hairstreak			
	<i>Satyrium saepium</i>	Hedgerow hairstreak			
	<i>Callophrys dumetorum</i>	Coastal green hairstreak			
	<i>Callophrys spinetorum</i>	Thicket hairstreak			
	<i>Callophrys augustinus</i>	Brown elfin			
	<i>Callophrys mossii</i>	Moss' elfin			
	<i>Callophrys eryphon</i>	Western pine elfin			
	<i>Strymon melinus</i>	Gray hairstreak			
Subfamily Polyomattinae	Blues				
	<i>Brephidium exile</i>	Western pygmy blue			
	<i>Leptotes marina</i>	Marine blue			
	<i>Everes amyntula</i>	Western tailed blue			
	<i>Celastrina ladon</i>	Spring azure			
	<i>Euphilotes battoides</i>	Western square-dotted blue			
	<i>Euphilotes enoptes</i>	Pacific dotted blue			
	<i>Glaucopsyche piasus</i>	Arrowhead blue	[Unlikely]		
	<i>Glaucopsyche lygdamus</i>	Silvery blue			
	<i>Lycaeides melissa</i>	Melissa blue	[Extirpated]		
	<i>Icaricia icarioides</i>	Boisduval's blue			
	<i>Icaricia acmon</i>	Acmon blue		X	X
	<i>Icaricia lupini</i>	Lupine blue			
Family Riodinidae	Metalmarks				
	<i>Apodemia mormo</i>	Mormon metalmark			
Family Nymphalidae	Brushfoot Butterflies				
Subfamily Libytheinae	Snouts	None			
Subfamily Heliconiinae	Longwings and Fritillaries				
	<i>Agraulis vanillae</i>	Gulf fritillary		X	
	<i>Speyeria coronis</i>	Coronis fritillary			
	<i>Speyeria callipe</i>	Callippe fritillary			
	<i>Boloria epithore</i>	Pacific fritillary			

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	<i>Thessalia leanira</i>	Leanira checkerspot			
	<i>Chlosyne palla</i>	Northern checkerspot			
	<i>Chlosyne gabbii</i>	Gabb's checkerspot			
	<i>Phyciodes pratensis</i>	Field crescent			
	<i>Phyciodes mylitta</i>	Mylitta crescent		X	X
	<i>Euphydryas chalcedona</i>	Variable checkerspot		X	X
	<i>Euphydryas editha</i>	Edith's checkerspot			
	<i>Polygonia satyrus</i>	Satyr comma			
	<i>Polygonia faunus</i>	Green comma			
	<i>Polygonia progne</i>	Gray comma			
	<i>Nymphalis californica</i>	California tortoiseshell			
	<i>Nymphalis antiopa</i>	Mourning cloak			
	<i>Vanessa atalanta</i>	Red admiral			
	<i>Vanessa virginiensis</i>	American lady, hunter's butterfly, Virginia lady			
	<i>Vanessa cardui</i>	Painted lady		X	
	<i>Vanessa annabella</i>	West coast lady	[NOTE: closely related to <i>V. carye</i> , found in South America]		
	<i>Junonia coenia</i>	Common buckeye		X	X
Subfamily Limenitidinae	Admirals and Relatives				
	<i>Limenitis lorquini</i>	Lorquin's admiral			
	<i>Adelpha bredowii</i>	California sister		X	X
Subfamily Charaxinae	Leafwings and Relatives	None			
Subfamily Apaturinae	Emperors	None			
Subfamily Morphinae	Morphos and relatives	None			
Subfamily Satyrinae	Satyrs and Wood-Nymphs				
	<i>Coenonympha tullia</i>	Common ringlet		X	X
	<i>Cercyonis pegala</i>	Common wood-nymph			
	<i>Cercyonis sthenele</i>	Great basin wood-nymph			
Subfamily Danainae	Milkweed butterflies				
	<i>Danaus plexippus</i>	Monarch			

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Superfamily Hesperioidea	Skippers			
Family Hesperidae	Skippers			
Subfamily Pyrrhopyginae	Firetips	None		
Subfamily Pyrginae	Spread-wing Skippers			
	<i>Thorybes pylades</i>	Northern cloudywing		
	<i>Erynnis brizo</i>	Sleepy duskywing		
	<i>Erynnis propertius</i>	Propertius duskywing		
	<i>Erynnis tristis</i>	Mournful duskywing		
	<i>Erynnis pacuvius</i>	Pacuvius duskywing		
	<i>Erynnis funeralis</i>	Funereal duskywing	X	X
	<i>Erynnis persius</i>	Persius duskywing		
	<i>Pyrgus ruralis</i>	Two-banded checkered skipper		
	<i>Pyrgus scriptura</i>	Small checkered skipper		
	<i>Pyrgus communis</i>	Common checkered skipper		
	<i>Heliopetes ericetorum</i>	Northern white skipper		
	<i>Hesperopsis libya</i>	Common sootywing		
Subfamily Heteropterinae	Skipperlings	None		
Subfamily Hesperinae	Grass Skippers			
	<i>Hylephila phyleus</i>	Fiery skipper		
	<i>Hesperia juba</i>	Juba skipper		
	<i>Hesperia colorado</i>	Western branded skipper		
	<i>Atalopedes campestris</i>	Sachem		
	<i>Polites sabuleti</i>	Sandhill skipper		
	<i>Ochlodes sylvanoides</i>	Woodland skipper	X	X
	<i>Ochlodes agricola</i>	Rural skipper		
	<i>Poanes melane</i>	Umber skipper		
Subfamily Megathyminae	Giant Skippers	None		

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