

Butterfly family - Satyridae

Speckled Wood (*Pararge aegeria*)



Female



Male

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When Seen: Please note these dates are variable depending on the weather conditions.

Butterfly: (1) 4th wk Mar – 1st wk Oct.

Larvae: (1) 2nd wk May – 2nd wk Jun. (2) 4th wk Jun – 4th wk Jul, (3) 3rd wk Aug – 4th wk Mar.

Pupa: (1) 3rd wk May – 3rd wk Jun. (2) 2nd wk Jul - 3rd wk Aug. (3) 2nd wk Sep – 3rd wk Apr.

Note: Larvae and pupae over winter.

Food Plants:

Larvae: Cocks-foot (*Dactylis glomerata*), Common Couch (*Elytrigia repens*), False Brome (*Brachypodium sylvaticum*.), Yorkshire fog (*Holcus lanatus*).

Butterfly: Bramble (*Rubus fruticosus*), Cuckooflower (*Cardamines pratensis*), Dandelion (*Teraxacum* agg.) Fleabane (*Pulicaria dysenterica*), Honeydew/Sap, Privet ((*Liqustrum vulgare*), Ragwort(*Seecio jacobaea*).

Habitat: Predominantly a woodland butterfly but also amongst scrub where it is sheltered from bright sunlight..

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