

## Kentucky's Butterfly Larval Plants

### Host Plant

#### Trees

American Beech (*Fagus grandifolia*)  
Ash (*Fraxinus* spp.)  
Birch (*Betula* spp.)  
Black Cherry (*Prunus serotina*)  
  
Black Locust (*Robinia pseudoacacea*)  
Cottonwood (*Populus deltoides*)  
Elm (*Ulmus* spp.)  
  
Hackberry (*Celtis occidentalis*)  
  
Hawthorn (*Crataegus* spp.)  
Hornbeam (*Ostrya virginiana*)  
Oak (*Quercus* spp.)  
Pawpaw (*Asimina triloba*)  
Pine (*Pinus* spp.)  
Sassafras (*Sassafras albidum*)  
Tulip Poplar (*Liriodendron tulipifera*)  
Wild Apple (*Malus coronaria*)  
Wild Plum (*Prunus americana*)  
Willow (*Salix* spp.)

#### Shrubs

Blueberry (*Vaccinium* spp.)  
Dogwood (*Cornus* spp.)  
False Indigo (*Amorpha* spp.)  
  
Hercules-Club (*Aralia spinosa*)  
New Jersey Tea (*Ceanothus americanus*)  
Spicebush (*Lindera* spp.)  
Sumac (*Rhus* spp.)  
Viburnum (*Viburnum* spp.)

### Butterfly Species

Early Hairstreak  
Tiger Swallowtail  
White admiral, Mourning Cloak  
Spring Azure, Red-spotted Purple, Tiger Swallowtail, Viceroy  
Silver-spotted Skipper  
Mourning Cloak, Red-spotted Purple, Viceroy  
Eastern Comma, Question Mark, Mourning Cloak  
Eastern Comma, Question Mark, Mourning Cloak, American Snout, Tawny Emperor  
Banded Hairstreak, Red-spotted Purple  
Red-spotted Purple, Tiger Swallowtail  
Banded Hairstreak, Red-spotted Purple  
Zebra Swallowtail  
Eastern Pine Elfin  
Spicebush Swallowtail, Tiger Swallowtail  
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Viceroy  
Tiger Swallowtail, Viceroy  
Viceroy, Mourning Cloak, Red-spotted Purple  
  
Brown Elfin  
Spring Azure  
Silver-spotted Skipper, Dog Face, Hoary Edge  
Giant Swallowtail  
Spring Azure  
Spicebush Swallowtail, Tiger Swallowtail  
Red-banded Hairstreak  
Spring Azure

## Vines

Dutchman's Pipevine (*Aristolochia macrophylla*)

Passionflower (*Passiflora* spp.)

Pipevine Swallowtail

Gulf Fritillary

## Herbs

Alfalfa (*Medicago sativa*)

Aster (*Aster* spp.)

Beggar's Ticks (*Bidens* spp.)

Bittercress (*Cardamine* spp.)

Bush Clover (*Lespedeza* spp.)

Crown Vetch (*Coronilla varia*)

Cut-leaf Toothwort (*Dentaria laciniata*)

Dock (*Rumex* spp.)

False Nettle (*Boehmeria cylindrical*)

Foxglove (*Aureolaria* and *Agalinis* spp.)

Queen Anne's Lace (*Daucus carota*)

Lamb's Quarters (*Chenopodium album*)

Mallow (*Malva* spp.)

Milkweed (*Asclepias* spp.)

Nettle (*Urtica* spp.)

Partridge Pea (*Cassia* spp.)

Plantain (*Plantago* spp.)

Pussytoes (*Antennaria* spp.)

Red Clover (*Trifolium pratense*)

Ruellia (*Ruellia* spp.)

Stick-tights (*Desmodium* spp.)

Thistle (*Cirsium* spp.)

Violet (*Viola* spp.)

White Clover (*Trifolium repens*)

Winter Cress (*Barbarea vulgaris*)

Wood Nettle (*Laportea canadensis*)

Orange Sulphur

Pearl Crescent, Silvery Checkerspot

Southern Cloudywing, Hoary Edge

Falcate Orangetip

Eastern Tailed Blue, Southern Cloudywing

Orange Sulphur

Falcate Orangetip

Bronze Copper

Question Mark, Eastern Comma, Red

Admiral

Common Buckeye

Black Swallowtail

Common Sootywing

Gray Hairstreak, Common Checkered Skipper

Monarch

Red Admiral

Little Sulphur

Common Buckeye

American Painted Lady

Clouded Sulphur

Common Buckeye

Silver-spotted Skipper

American Painted Lady

Great Spangled Fritillary, Variegated

Fritillary

Clouded Sulphur, Orange Sulphur

Checkered White, Cabbage White

Eastern Comma, Red Admiral

## Grasses and Sedges

Big Bluestem (*Andropogon gerardii*)

Little Bluestem (*Schizachyrium scoparium*)

Panic Grass (*Panicum* spp.)

Various grasses (*Poa* spp.)

Purpletop (*Tridens flavus*)

Sedges (*Carex* and *Cyperus* spp.)

White Grass (*Leersia virginica*)

Dusted Skipper

Swarthy Skipper, Dusted Skipper

Northern Broken Dash

Little Wood Satyr, Pepper and Salt Skipper

Common Wood Nymph

Dun Skipper, Appalachian Eyed Brown

Northern Pearly Eye