



Underside



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Upperside

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

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
			蝶	蝶 ^A	蝶	蝶	蝶 ^A	蝶 ^A	蝶		
				蛋	蛋	蛋	蛋	蛋	蛋		
毛虫	毛虫	毛虫	毛虫	毛虫	毛虫	毛虫	毛虫	毛虫	毛虫		
			蛹	蛹	蛹	蛹	蛹	蛹	蛹		

Notes: 'A' Indicates peak flying dates. The larvae overwinters.

Food Plants:

Larvae:

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Common Sorrel (Rumex acetosa)	Sheep's Sorrel (Rumex acetosella)	Broad leaved Dock (Rumex obtusifolius)

Butterfly:

No Image	No Image	 Daisy (<i>Bellis perennis</i>)	 Dandelion (<i>Taraxacum agg.</i>)
Fleabane (<i>Pulicaria dysenterica</i>)	Buttercups (<i>Ranunculus spp.</i>)	 Heather (<i>Calluna vulgaris</i>)	 Heather (<i>Erica spp.</i>)
No Image	 Hawkweeds (<i>Hieracium sp.</i>)	 Red Clover (<i>Trifolium pratense</i>)	No Image
Thistles (<i>Cirsium spp</i>)	Thistles (<i>Carduus spp</i>)	 Yarrow (<i>Achillea millefolium</i>)	No Image

Habitat:

A fast flying butterfly that loves open sunny spaces with plenty of its nectar plants about. You will find it on open grassland, shrubs, old quarries etc.

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