

Common Butterflies and Skippers

Butterflies and skippers are not only pretty but they also serve an important purpose as pollinators. Pollinators feed on nectar from flowers, and as they visit different flowers, they transfer pollen. Pollen transfer helps plants reproduce. Butterflies are not the only pollinators- birds, bats, bees, beetles and even flies help pollinate a variety of plants. For more information on how to attract these pollinators and others, check out the Wild Acres page:

<http://dnr2.maryland.gov/wildlife/Pages/habitat/wildacres.aspx>



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Spicebush Swallowtail
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