







BUTTERFLY WALK BINGO

These are pictures (taken by Tony Fairburn, our butterfly expert) of only eight out of over 20 butterfly species found on St Nicholas Fields. How many of them can you spot on the walk?

 A bright yellow-green butterfly with a small dark spot on its wing, perched on a green leaf.	<p>Brimstone</p> <p>The Brimstone male is an unmistakable sight flying high above the hedgerows and woodland, with its sulphur yellow colour. The female is paler and can often be mistaken for a white butterfly.</p>	<p>Tick how many you've seen</p>
 A white butterfly with a single dark spot on its wing, perched on a cluster of small purple flowers.	<p>Large White</p> <p>Adults of this species seen in Britain and Ireland have often flown from Mainland Europe.</p>	<p>Tick how many you've seen</p>
 A small butterfly with orange and black wings, perched on a green leaf.	<p>Small Copper</p> <p>This is a territorial species, the males choosing a small patch of ground and chase away any insects that come into the area.</p>	<p>Tick how many you've seen</p>
 A bright blue butterfly with a white border on its wings, perched on a green leaf.	<p>Common Blue</p> <p>This is the most widespread of the blue species. The male is a bright blue, but the females observed vary, some being brown and others brown with a blue border.</p>	<p>Tick how many you've seen</p>



Red Admiral

This migrant butterfly can be very common in gardens where there is buddleia and other nectar rich flowers, and therefore is attracted to this site. The adults arrive in spring from Europe and lay their eggs on nettle to produce butterflies in late summer.

Tick how many you've seen



Small Tortoiseshell

This is one of the most well known of butterflies in Britain, mainly because of its year round attraction to the gardens of urban areas.

Tick how many you've seen



Peacock

This is a large butterfly that can be clearly identified by its spectacular eye spots which are used to confuse its predators. On sunny days, the Peacock can be seen flying high over the hedgerows meadows. Its large wings allowing the butterfly to move quickly between different areas.

Tick how many you've seen



Speckled Wood

This butterfly defends areas of woodland containing dappled light, finding an area of sunlight and rising to challenge intruders. The woodland areas within St Nicks are ideal sites. It is the second most common butterfly on this site.

Tick how many you've seen

Did you see any other butterflies? Do you know which ones they were?

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Which one did you like best?

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We hope you enjoyed the walk and to see you again!