



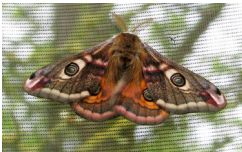




































MOTHS FOR BEGINNERS : PART 4

COMMON DAY-FLYING MACROMOTHS

While a small number of common macromoths fly in daylight, often in sunshine, others can be disturbed from vegetation by day. Many of the latter will normally fly at sunset or dusk.

<p><u>Burnets</u></p>	 <p>Five-spot Burnet* (daytime late June-July)</p>	 <p>Six-spot Burnet (daytime late June-Aug)</p>		
<p><u>Eggars</u></p>	 <p>Oak Eggar (male in afternoon sun July-Aug)</p>	 <p>Fox Moth (male daytime May-June)</p>		
<p><u>Emperors and Hook-tips</u></p>	 <p>Emperor Moth (male in sunshine Apr-late May)</p>	 <p>Oak Hook-tip (disturbed by day May-June and late July-mid Sept)</p>		
<p><u>Carpets, Pugs and allies</u></p> <p>A number of relatively common Carpet and Pug moths can be disturbed by day.</p>	 <p>Blood-vein (easily disturbed by day May-early July and early July-mid Sept)</p>	 <p>Red Twin-spot Carpet** (easily disturbed by day mid Apr-June and late July-Aug)</p>	 <p>Silver-ground Carpet (easily disturbed by day mid May-late July)</p>	 <p>Garden Carpet (can rest openly by day Apr-Oct)</p>

	 <p>Shaded Broad-bar (often disturbed by day late June- Aug)</p>	 <p>Common Carpet (often disturbed by day May-June and July-early Sept)</p>	 <p>Yellow Shell (easily disturbed by day June-Aug)</p>	 <p>Barred Straw (can be disturbed by day late May- late Aug)</p>
	 <p>Green Carpet (easily disturbed daytime May-mid July and Aug- early Sept)</p>	 <p>Grass Rivulet (flies by day May- early July)</p>	 <p>Double-striped Pug (may fly in sunshine late Mar- May and July- Aug)</p>	
<u>Other Geometers</u>	 <p>Lesser Treble- bar*** (easily disturbed by day May-June and Aug-Sept)</p>	 <p>Chimney Sweeper (flies by day June- July)</p>	 <p>Latticed Heath (active by day May-June and July-Sept)</p>	 <p>Brown Silver-line (easily disturbed by day May-June)</p>
	 <p>Brimstone Moth (easily disturbed by day April-Oct)</p>	 <p>Speckled Yellow (flies by day mid May-late June)</p>	 <p>Common Heath (flies by day May- June)</p>	
<u>Hawkmoths,</u> <u>Tussocks and</u> <u>Tigers</u>	 <p>Hummingbird Hawk-moth (immigrant flies by day Apr-Dec but mostly Aug- Sept)</p>	 <p>Vapourer (flies by day July- Oct)</p>	 <p>Muslin Moth (female active by day May-early June)</p>	 <p>Ruby Tiger (active by day mid Apr- June and mid July-early Sept)</p>

				
	Scarlet Tiger (active by day June-July)	Cinnabar (active by day mid May- early Aug)		
<u>Darts, Brocades and allies</u>				
	True Lover's Knot (active by day June-Aug)	Beautiful Yellow Underwing (flies in sunshine late Apr-Aug)	Antler Moth (flies by day mid July-mid Sept)	
<u>Arches, Minors and allies</u>				
	Cloaked Minor (flies by day late July-early Sept)	Dusky Sallow (at rest by day on flowers late July- early Sept)		
<u>Other Noctuids</u>				
	Silver Y (immigrant active by day May-Sept)	Mother Shipton (flies in sunshine early May-early July)	Burnet Companion (flies by day mid May-early July)	Straw Dot (easily disturbed by day June-July)

*There are two very similar species - the Five-spot Burnet and the more common Narrow-bordered Five-spot Burnet (see Field Guide).

**It is difficult to distinguish the Red Twin-spot Carpet from the red form of the Dark-barred Twin-spot Carpet, now rare in our area (see Introduction: '[Online identification resources](#)')

*** There are two very similar species – the Treble-bar and the slightly smaller Lesser Treble-bar (see Field Guide).