

BUTTERFLIES AND POLINATORS

Nature Challenge



1. BUFF-BELLIED HUMMINGBIRD

Hi, my name is the Buff Bellied Hummingbird! I get my name from my buff colored belly but I can also be identified by my metallic green color. I am usually found in open woodlands, forests, and thickets.

2. QUEEN BUTTERFLY

I am the Queen Butterfly, I look extremely similar to the Monarch Butterfly but I do not have black lines on my wings. My favorite source of nectar comes from the milkweed plant, but I also enjoy other flowers including mist flowers and lantana. I can be found in open and sunny habitats like fields, deserts, pastures, and roadsides.



3. CARPENTER BEE

I am often mistaken for a bumblebee but I am a carpenter, I bear holes into wooden structures to create tunnels for protection and to lay eggs. I hibernate during the winter and I re-emerge in spring to help pollinate and gather nectar for my offspring!



4. TAWNY EMPEROR

I am the Tawny Emperor Moth! I can be recognized by my brown wings and I enjoy eating tree sap, rotting fruit, and dung. My host plant is the Hackberry Tree. I can usually be found in woody areas, cities and parks.



LITTLE YELLOW

As my name suggests, I am known for my bright yellow coloring and small size. I have adapted to fly fast and erratically to avoid predators. You can find me in open meadows, and roadsides fluttering in search for nectar!



Can you find all 5?