

A pocket identification guide to **day-flying moths**



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wingspan



flight-time



habitat



ID tips

Key

Chimney Sweeper <i>Oedeza atrata</i>	Mother Shipton <i>Euclidia mi</i>	Silver Y <i>Autographa gamma</i>	Six-spot Burnet <i>Zygaena filipendulae</i>	Cinnabar <i>Tyria jacobaeae</i>	Latticed Heath <i>Chiasmia clathrata</i>
Very small (12-15mm)	Very small (13-16mm)	Very small (13-21mm)	Very small (15-19mm)	Very small (17-23mm)	Very small (11-15mm)
June to August	May to July	May to September	Late June to August	Mid May to early Aug	May to July
Grasslands.	Grasslands.	Gardens & grasslands.	Grasslands.	Grassland & urban.	Grasslands.
Charcoal black with white wing tips.	Markings resemble a witches face.	Distinctive 'y' mark on upper forewings.	Black with six red spots on each forewing.	Black with scarlet stripe along edge of wings.	Often rests with wings partially raised.
Common Heath <i>Ematurga atomaria</i>	Burnet Companion <i>Euclidia glyphica</i>	Hornet Moth <i>Sesia apiformis</i>	Jersey Tiger <i>Euplogia quadripunctaria</i>	Scarlet Tiger <i>Callimorpha dominula</i>	Four-spotted <i>Tyta luctuosa</i>
Very small (12-15mm)	Very small (13-15mm)	Very small (17-21mm)	Small (28-33mm)	Small (23-27mm)	Very small (12-13mm)
May to June	May to July	Mid June to early Aug	Mid July to early Sept	June to July	May to August
Grasslands.	Grasslands.	Hedgerows & wetlands.	Hedgerows & gardens.	Grasslands & gardens.	Grasslands.
Usually sandy dark brown with pale white dusty markings.	Forewing warm dark grey brown, with dark brown cross bands.	Bright yellow & brown. Just as large & bulky as a true Hornet.	Dark forewings with cream streaks. Hindwing orange with black spots.	Forewings black with white spots. Hindwing largely red with black spots.	Large white spot on brown forewings. White band on the hindwing.



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