

CHURCHYARD BUTTERFLY SURVEY



Butterfly
Conservation

Upper Thames Branch

Churchyard name :

Surveyor name:

Address:

	1	2	3	4	REMARKS
Target date:	Early May	Mid June	Mid July	Late Aug	
Visit date:					
Small Skipper					
Essex Skipper					
Large Skipper					
Brimstone					
Large White					
Small White					
Green-veined White					
Orange-tip					
Small Copper					
Common Blue					
Holly Blue					
Red Admiral					
Painted Lady					
Small Tortoiseshell					
Peacock					
Comma					
Speckled Wood					
Wall					
Marbled White					
Gatekeeper					
Meadow Brown					
Ringlet					
Small Heath					

HOW TO CARRY OUT THE SURVEY

- The preferred timing of 4 visits is shown in the columns above, but any time is useful. Please enter the actual visit date at the top of each column. For each visit enter the numbers of each species seen.
- Choose warm sunny days with air temperature above 14°C in bright sunshine or above 17°C if sunshine weak or intermittent.
- Walk slowly through the area, checking each of the four types of habitat in (4) below. If there are other relevant habitats, please specify, e.g. butterflies basking on paths or walls (Habitat:E).
- Indicate locations where butterflies are seen in the remarks column, by letters as follows:

A: Old hedge or bushes	C: Area not mown
B: Regular close-mown area	D: Mown once or twice
- For identification, the RSNC Guide to Butterflies of the British Isles, by J.A.Thomas (Country Life Books) or wallchart from BBCS is recommended.
- A sketchmap of the churchyard, showing locations A-D and other features, on the back of the sheet, will be most useful, as well as a plant list.
- Tell the Vicar or Churchwarden that you are carrying out the survey for Butterfly Conservation.

Please send completed form at the end of the season and address any enquiries to:

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