

CHURCHYARD BUTTERFLY SURVEY



Butterfly
Conservation

Upper Thames Branch

Churchyard name:

Grid reference (if known):

Surveyor name:

Address:

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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 DO YOUR SURVEY

1. If you can visit at the times shown in the columns above, this is ideal, but any time is useful! Please enter the actual visit date at the top of each column. For each visit, enter how many of each species of butterfly you have seen.
2. Ideally, visit on warm sunny days with air temperature above 14°C in bright sunshine (or warmer if sun is weak/intermittent). But all visits are welcome.
3. 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).
4. Indicate locations where butterflies are seen in the remarks column, by letters as follows:
 - A: Old hedge or bushes
 - B: Regular close-mown area
 - C: Area not mown
 - D: Mown once or twice
5. Identification: RSNC Guide to Butterflies of the British Isles, by J.A.Thomas (Country Life Books) or *Guide to the Butterflies of Britain* wallchart produced by the Field Studies Council.
6. It is helpful if you can draw a sketchmap of the churchyard, showing locations A-D and other features, and make a plant list – but all surveys are useful, even if you aren't a plant expert.
7. 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: small.skipper@btinternet.com

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