

List of Butterflies observed in IIT Gandhinagar campus

Sr. No.	Insect name	Status in India	Local status within Gujarat	Distribution within Gujarat	Size (mm)
1	Plain Tiger Butterfly - <i>Danaus chrysippus</i> (Linnaeus)	Common	Common	Entire Gujarat	70-80
2	Painted lady butterfly - <i>Vanessa cardui</i> (Linnaeus)	Common	Rare	Entire Gujarat	55-70
3	Joker butterfly - <i>Byblia ilithyia</i> (Drury)	Locally common	Uncommon	Entire Gujarat	45-55
4	Danaid Eggfly Butterfly - <i>Hypolimnas misippus</i> (Linnaeus)	Common	Common	Entire Gujarat	70-85
5	Tailed Jay - <i>Graphium agamemnon</i> (Linnaeus)	Common	Common	Entire Gujarat except Kachchh	85-100
6	Common Emigrant Butterfly - <i>Catopsilia crocale</i> (Cramer)	Common	Common	Entire Gujarat	55-80
7	Mottled Emigrant Butterfly - <i>Catopsilia pyranthe</i> (Fabricius)	Common	Common	Entire Gujarat	50-70
8	Pioneer Butterfly - <i>Belenois aurota</i> (Fabricius)	Common	Common	Entire Gujarat	40-55
9	Peacock Pansy - <i>Junonia almana</i> (Linnaeus)	Common	Uncommon	Entire Gujarat	60-65
10	Blue Pansy - <i>Junonia orithya</i> (Linnaeus)	Common	Common	Entire Gujarat	40-60
11	Small or Little orange tip - <i>Colotis etrida</i> (Biosduval)	Common	Common	Entire Gujarat	25-45
12	Common Grass Yellow - <i>Eurema hecabe</i> (Linnaeus)	Common	Common	Entire Gujarat	40-50
13	Large salmon Arab - <i>Colotis fausta</i> (Olivier)	Not Rare	Uncommon	Entire Gujarat	40-50
14	White Arab - <i>Colotis vestalis</i> (Butler)	Common	Common	Entire Gujarat	40-50
15	Lesser Grass blue - <i>Zizina otis</i> (Fabricius)	Common	Common	South & Central Gujarat, Saurashtra	22-27
16	Forget-me-not - <i>Catochrysops strabo</i> (Fabricius)	Common	Uncommon	Entire Gujarat	25-35
17	Striped Pierrot - <i>Tarucus nara</i> (Kollar)	Not rare	Rare	Central Gujarat, Saurashtra	24-28
18	Grass jewels - <i>Chilades trochylus</i> (Freyer)	Locally common	Common	South, Central Gujarat and Saurashtra	17-25

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Photographs of Some Butterflies Encountered on IIT Campus Gandhinagar



Common Name: Plain Tiger
Scientific name: *Danaus chrysippus* (Linnaeus)
Status in India: Common
Local status within Gujarat: Common
Distribution in Gujarat: Entire Gujarat
Size: 70 – 80 mm



Common Name: Painted lady
Scientific name: *Vanessa cardui* (Linnaeus)
Status in India: Common
Local status within Gujarat: Rare
Distribution in Gujarat: Entire Gujarat
Size: 55-70 mm



Common Name: Joker
Scientific name: *Byblia ilithyia* (Drury)
Status in India: Locally Common
Local status within Gujarat: Uncommon
Distribution in Gujarat: Entire Gujarat
Size: 55-70 mm



Common Name: Danaid Eggfly
Scientific name: *Hypolimnna misippus* (Linnaeus)
Status in India: Common
Local status within Gujarat: Common
Distribution in Gujarat: Entire Gujarat
Size: 70-85 mm



Common Name: Common Emigrant
Scientific name: *Catopsilia crocale* (Cramer)
Status in India: Common
Local status within Gujarat: Common
Distribution in Gujarat: Entire Gujarat
Size: 55-80 mm



Common Name: Pioneer
Scientific name: *Belenois aurota* (Fabricius)
Status in India: Common
Local status within Gujarat: Common
Distribution in Gujarat: Entire Gujarat
Size: 40-55 mm



Common Name: Peacock Pansy
Scientific name: *Junonia almana* (Linnaeus)
Status in India: Common
Local status within Gujarat: UnCommon
Distribution in Gujarat: Entire Gujarat
Size: 60-65 mm



Common Name: Small / Little orange tip
Scientific name: *Colotis etrida* (Biosduval)
Status in India: Common
Local status within Gujarat: Common
Distribution in Gujarat: Entire Gujarat
Size: 25-45 mm



Common Name: Large salmon Arab
Scientific name: *Colotis fausta* (Olivier)
Status in India: Not Rare
Local status within Gujarat: Uncommon
Distribution in Gujarat: Entire Gujarat
Size: 40-50 mm



Common Name: Common Grass Yellow
Scientific name: *Eurema hecabe* (Linnaeus)
Status in India: Common
Local status within Gujarat: Common
Distribution in Gujarat: Entire Gujarat
Size: 40-50 mm



Common Name: Lesser Grass Blue
Scientific name: *Zizina otis* (Fabricius)
Status in India: Common
Local status within Gujarat: Common
Distribution in Gujarat: South & Central Gujarat, Saurashtra
Size: 22-27 mm



Common Name: Striped Pierrot
Scientific name: *Tarucus nara* (Kollar)
Status in India: Not rare
Local status within Gujarat: Rare
Distribution in Gujarat: Central Gujarat, Saurashtra
Size: 24-28 mm



Common Name: Forget-me-not
Scientific name: *Catochrysops strabo*
(*Fabricius*)
Status in India: Common
Local status within Gujarat: Uncommon
Distribution in Gujarat: Entire Gujarat
Size: 25-35 mm