

David M

by David M, 19-Jan-11 11:42 PM GMT

After the excitement of seeing my first butterfly of 2011 this afternoon (albeit in my spare bedroom!), I've decided to follow the lead of several others and open a personal diary to record this year's sightings (I'll ignore today's Small Tortoiseshell since it wasn't spotted outside).

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by David M, 02-Mar-11 11:21 PM GMT

Dates of first sightings 2011:

1. **Small Tortoiseshell** – 2 March, Clydach, Swansea
2. **Peacock** – 19 March, Abergavenny
3. **Brimstone** – 23 March, Glais, Swansea
4. **Comma** – 25 March, Swansea Vale
5. **Green Veined White** – 8 April, Sale, Cheshire
6. **Orange Tip** – 8 April, Sale, Cheshire
7. **Speckled Wood** – 8 April, Sale, Cheshire
8. **Holly Blue** – 9 April, Swansea Vale
9. **Large White** – 9 April, Swansea Vale
10. **Red Admiral** – 10 April, Cwm Clydach, Swansea
11. **Small White** – 10 April, Cwm Clydach, Swansea
12. **Painted Lady** – 20 April, Merthyr Mawr, nr. Bridgend
13. **Small Copper** – 20 April, Merthyr Mawr, nr. Bridgend
14. **Grizzled Skipper** – 20 April, Merthyr Mawr, nr. Bridgend
15. **Pearl Bordered Fritillary** – 22 April, Haugh Wood, Herefordshire
16. **Wood White** – 22 April, Haugh Wood, Herefordshire
17. **Green Hairstreak** – 23 April, Prestbury Hill, nr. Cheltenham
18. **Duke of Burgundy** – 23 April, Prestbury Hill, nr. Cheltenham
19. **Dingy Skipper** – 23 April, Prestbury Hill, nr. Cheltenham
20. **Small Blue** – 25 April, Kenfig Dunes, nr. Porthcawl
21. **Small Heath** – 25 April, Kenfig Dunes, nr. Porthcawl
22. **Wall Brown** – 25 April, Kenfig Dunes, nr. Porthcawl
23. **Common Blue** – 29 April, Swansea Vale
24. **Small Pearl Bordered Fritillary** – 14 May, Aberbargoed Grasslands, nr. Merthyr Tydfil
25. **Marsh Fritillary** – 14 May, Aberbargoed Grasslands, nr. Merthyr Tydfil
26. **Brown Argus** – 19 May, Brean Down, nr. Burnham-on-Sea
27. **Heath Fritillary** – 19 May, Bin Combe, Exmoor
28. **Large Skipper** – 21 May, Wrecclesham, nr. Farnham
29. **Glanville Fritillary** – 21 May, Wrecclesham, nr. Farnham
30. **Swallowtail** – 21 May, Strumpshaw Fen, Norfolk
31. **Mountain Ringlet** – 4 June, Irton Fell, nr. Santon Bridge, Cumbria
32. **Meadow Brown** – 11 June, Old Castle Down, nr. Ewenny, Glamorgan
33. **Dark Green Fritillary** – 11 June, Alun Valley, nr. Ewenny, Glamorgan
34. **High Brown Fritillary** – 11 June, Alun Valley, nr. Ewenny, Glamorgan
35. **Ringlet** – 18 June, Alun Valley, nr. Ewenny, Glamorgan
36. **Large Heath** – 19 June, Bettisfield Moss, nr. Whitchurch, Shropshire
37. **Silver Studded Blue** – 19 June, Prees Heath, nr. Whitchurch, Shropshire
38. **Silver Washed Fritillary** – 26 June, Bernwood Forest, nr. Oxford
39. **Marbled White** – 26 June, Bernwood Forest, nr. Oxford
40. **Small Skipper** – 26 June, Bernwood Forest, nr. Oxford
41. **White Admiral** – 26 June, Bernwood Forest, nr. Oxford
42. **Purple Hairstreak** – 26 June, Bernwood Forest, nr. Oxford
43. **Large Blue** – 26 June, Collard Hill, nr. Street, Somerset
44. **Hedge Brown** – 15 July, Forest Farm, nr. Cardiff, Glamorgan
45. **Grayling** – 23 July, Glais, Swansea
46. **Essex Skipper** – 24 July, Finemere Wood, nr. Aylesbury, Bucks
47. **Chalk Hill Blue** – 24 July, Aston Rowant, Oxfordshire
48. **Silver Spotted Skipper** – 24 July, Aston Rowant, Oxfordshire
49. **White Letter Hairstreak** – 26 July, Alun Valley, nr. Ewenny, Glamorgan
50. **Brown Hairstreak** – 31 July, Alner's Gorse, nr. Sturminster Newton, Dorset
51. **Adonis Blue** – 31 July, Ballard Down, nr. Swanage, Dorset

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by David M, 15-Jul-11 08:01 AM GMT

Non-UK species recorded in the Cévennes, France, between 1st and 7th July 2011:

1. **Pearly Heath** – 2 July, Florac
2. **Berger's Clouded Yellow** – 2 July, Florac
3. **Weaver's Fritillary** – 2 July, Florac
4. **Sloe Hairstreak** – 2 July, Florac
5. **Black Veined White** – 2 July, Florac
6. **Cleopatra** – 2 July, Florac
7. **Great Banded Grayling** – 2 July, Florac
8. **Southern White Admiral** – 2 July, Florac
9. **Spotted Fritillary** – 3 July, Montagne de Lampezon, nr. Florac

10. **Safflower Skipper** – 3 July, Montagne de Lampezon, nr. Florac
11. **Great Sooty Satyr** – 3 July, Montagne de Lampezon, nr. Florac
12. **Large Wall Brown** – 3 July, Montagne de Lampezon, nr. Florac
13. **Scarce Swallowtail** – 3 July, Montagne de Lampezon, nr. Florac
14. **Marbled Fritillary** – 3 July, Montagne de Lampezon, nr. Florac
15. **Meleager's Blue** – 3 July, Montagne de Lampezon, nr. Florac
16. **Sooty Copper** – 3 July, Montagne de Lampezon, nr. Florac
17. **Blue Spot Hairstreak** – 3 July, Montagne de Lampezon, nr. Florac
18. **Furry Blue** – 3 July, Montagne de Lampezon, nr. Florac
19. **Piedmont Ringlet** – 3 July, Montagne de Lampezon, nr. Florac
20. **Dusky Heath** – 3 July, Montagne de Lampezon, nr. Florac
21. **Geranium Bronze** – 3 July, Florac
22. **Purple–Shot Copper** – 5 July, Causse Méjean, nr. Florac
23. **Niobe Fritillary** – 5 July, Causse Méjean, nr. Florac
24. **Damon Blue** – 5 July, Causse Méjean, nr. Florac
25. **Queen of Spain Fritillary** – 5 July, Causse Méjean, nr. Florac
26. **Mallow Skipper** – 5 July, Causse Méjean, nr. Florac
27. **Woodland Grayling** – 5 July, Causse Méjean, nr. Florac
28. **Spanish Purple Hairstreak** – 5 July, Causse Méjean, nr. Florac
29. **Ilex Hairstreak** – 6 July, Mont de Ramponenche, nr. Florac
30. **Escher's Blue** – 6 July, Mont de Ramponenche, nr. Florac
31. **Knapweed Fritillary** – 6 July, Mont de Ramponenche, nr. Florac
32. **Oberthur's Grizzled Skipper** – 7 July, Florac
33. **Bath White** – 7 July, Florac

Re: David M

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UK species seen outside the UK only:

1. **Clouded Yellow** – 3 July, Montagne de Lampezon, nr. Florac
2. **Lulworth Skipper** – 3 July, Montagne de Lampezon, nr. Florac

Last butterfly seen:

Red Admiral – 13 November, Abergavenny

Total number of species in 2011: 86