

# CRITTERS WANTED 1.0

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Bartram's scrub-hairstreak



**Hosts on:** Pineland croton (*Croton linearis*)  
**ID tip:** There are similar hairstreaks that host on other plants. Look for two white lines with a black edge and two white dots.

Faithful beauty moth



**Hosts on:** Devil's potato (*Echites umbellatus*), Pineland allamanda (*Angadenia berteroii*), other plants in Apocynaceae.  
**ID tip:** No similar species. Very fast flyer; appears all black from a distance

Florida duskywing



**Hosts on:** Locustberry (*Byrsonima lucida*)  
**ID tip:** Color varies from mottled brown to black. Sometimes with purple sheen. Similar to Horace's duskywing but that species has 4 white dots in a tight line.

Lesser wasp moth



**Hosts on:** Quailberry (*Crossopetalum ilicifolium*) and maidenberry (*C. rhacoma*)  
**ID tip:** This tiny, slow flyer really does look like a black wasp; look for white wing spots and yellow feathery antennae.

Yellow-banded wasp moth



**Hosts on:** Man-in-the-ground and other morningglories (*Ipomoea* spp.)  
**ID tip:** Look for a "wasp" with a fat orange body. Caterpillar looks similar to that of oleander moth.



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# CRITTERS WANTED 2.0

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Soldier



**Hosts on:** Milkweeds (*Asclepias* spp.), twinevines (*Funastrum* spp.) whitevines (*Sarcostemma* spp.)

**ID tip:** Similar to monarch and queen butterflies. Look for a band of blotchy, pale spots on the underside of the hindwing (lacking in queens). Males have a dark spot toward the center of each hindwing.

Red admiral



**Hosts on:** Pellitory (*Parietaria floridana*), Stinging Nettle (*Urtica urens*), False Nettle (*Boehmeria cylindrica*)

**ID tip:** There are no similar species in our area. "People-friendly" often landing on humans. Rapid, erratic flight behavior.

Variegated fritillary



**Hosts on:** A variety of herbs; in our area these include members of the genera *Linum*, *Viola*, *Piriqueta*, *Priva*, and others.

**ID tip:** Gulf fritillary is much more common, but the caterpillar of that species hosts only on passionflower vines, and adults are darker, with silvery spots on the underwing.

Ruddy daggerwing



**Hosts on:** short-leaf fig (*Ficus citrifolia*) and strangler fig (*Ficus aurea*)

**ID tip:** Similar to Julia heliconian, in color and size. But Julia caterpillars eat passionflowers and adults lack "tails" on the hindwing. Adult daggerwings often perch with their heads down.

Painted lady



**Hosts on:** Herbs in the aster family, especially cudweeds (*Gamochaeta*)

**ID tip:** Distinguish from an American Lady with four small eyespots on Ventral wings. Dorsal wings do not have a tiny white spot in an orange cell.



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