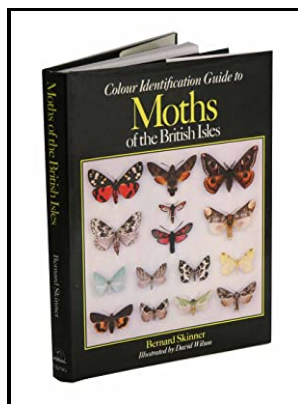


# Moths of the British Isles

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### Colour Identification Guide to Moths of the British Isles

A small caterpillar, about one week old, described by Paymaster-in-Chief G. The early stages are figured on Plate.

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Its greenish eggs are laid on bedstraw, and in July and August the caterpillars may be found on the same kind of plant. Like other giant silk moths, it and survives as an adult moth for only two weeks. The hind wings usually have a fine short line, crescent, or spot, at the end of the cell, as in the butterflies, and there is generally a line or band beyond.

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Previous to that year it was common, more or less generally, in 1846, 1868, 1875, 1885, and 1887. When in repose the head and front rings are drawn inwards, and this distends the eyed rings, thus bringing these into prominence and giving the creature a rather wicked look, from which the uninitiated would be likely to retreat.

### Bernard Skinner (entomologist)

Its range extends into Scotland as far as Dumbarton, and, according to Barrett, along the east coast to Aberdeen. According to Kane it is absent from Ireland; and the reports of odd specimens from Scotland are probably erroneous. Bell-Marley obtained thirty eggs, September, 1897, and although these were kept in a cold room, thirteen caterpillars hatched, September 21.

### Bird

In some examples the side stripes are edged above with bluish black; in others there are blackish, more or less square, spots on the back, and patches on the sides. Larvæ and pupæ were found in many parts of England, as already mentioned.

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After a lull towards the end of the latter month, moths suddenly appeared again during the first week in October.

### **The Moths of the British Isles by South**

Specimens of a pale buff colour are sometimes obtained, and these are most often of the female sex, although male examples of this form are not unknown.

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