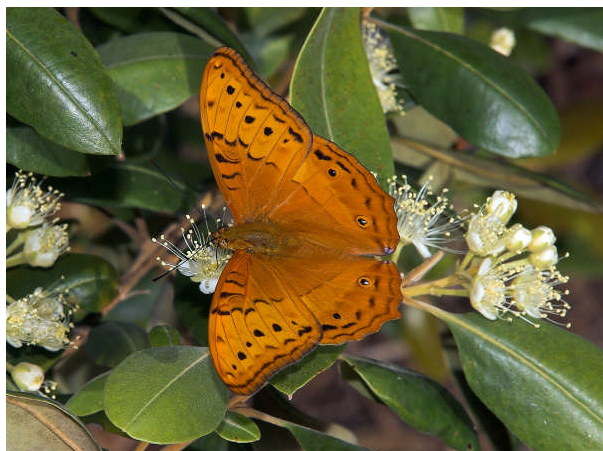


A Busy Day on the *Xanthostemon umbrosus*.

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Probably only *Micromelum* attracts more butterflies than this species. Not only butterflies but many other insects as well.



The Cruiser

A very fast flying butterfly. The larvae feed on vines in the Passifloraceae family, such as *Adenia* and *Passiflora*.



Common Eggfly female

The larvae of this very widespread butterfly feed on herbs such as *Alternanthera*, seedlings of *Ipomea* and the weed *Sida rhombifolia*.



Australian Rustic

The larvae of this species feed on plants in the Flacourtiaceae family such as *Flacourtia*, *Scolopia* and *Xylosma*.



Cornelian

This beautiful little butterfly is bright orange on the top. Instead of eating leaves the larvae of this species feed on seeds of plants in the Sapindaceae family, especially *Harpullia*.



Helenita Blue

Resting between feeds this little beauty is brighter than a Ulysses. Host plants include *Brachychiton acerifolius*.



Zodiac Moth

The spectacular Zodiac Moth is a common sight on the Tablelands. Its host plant is *Omphalea* species.