

About The Poster

"Lifecycles of the Swallowtail Butterflies of coastal southern Queensland and northern New South Wales" is a full colour, celloglazed, 500 mm by 700 mm poster of the life cycles of these butterflies.

The poster illustrates the full life cycle of each of the ten species from eggs through various caterpillar stages to chrysalises and the adult butterflies all on a plant that the butterfly uses as a caterpillar host. If some of these plants are included in our gardens, we are placing the welcome mat out for these beautiful creatures to make our gardens their home.

Seven of the species illustrated were photographed by Helen Schwencke starting with eggs laid in a small garden at West End, Brisbane. The Four-barred Swordtail and the Macleay's Swallowtail, which have visited the West End garden were photographed from larvae donated by club members and the Mt Glorious Biological Centre.

The Richmond Birdwing lifecycle photos used in the illustration were provided by and are copyright to CSIRO, Double Helix Club.

Many people are not aware that each species of butterfly has its own plant or group of plants that provide the food that caterpillars need. Eventually these plump caterpillars pupate and then emerge as our beautiful butterflies. Many butterflies are becoming less common and even endangered because their host plants are disappearing from the wild. What an inspiration that is to all of us to include some of these plants in our gardens.

The poster was developed by Helen Schwencke and Lois Hughes with the help of many other club members. Lois developed the detailed design and combined the butterfly images with host plants in her wonderful watercolour paintings.

All proceeds from the sale of this poster go towards promoting butterfly gardening and conservation projects. Posters are available from the Butterfly and Other Invertebrates Club Inc.

Species illustrated

Macleay's Swallowtail (*Graphium macleayanum*). Host plant: Socketwood (*Daphnandra sp.*
MacPherson Range)

Pale Triangle (*Graphium eurypylus*) also known as Pale-Green Triangle. Host plant: Canary Beech (*Polyalthia nitidissima*)



Richmond Birdwing (*Ornithoptera richmondia*). Host plant: Birdwing Vine (*Pararistolochia praevenosa*) Illustration shown above.

Blue Triangle (*Graphium sarpedon*). Host plant: Three-Veined Laurel (*Cryptocarya triplinervis*)

Four-barred Swordtail (*Protographium leosthenes*). Host plant:Zigzag Vine (*Melodorum leichhardtii* formerly *Rauwenhoffia leichhardtii*)

Dainty Swallowtail (*Papilio anactus*) also known as Dingy Swallowtail. Host plant: Native Finger Lime (*Microcitrus australasica*)



Fuscous Swallowtail (*Papilio fuscus capaneus*) also known as Capaneus butterfly. Host plant: Lime Berry (*Micromelum minutum*) Illustration shown above.

Orchard Swallowtail (*Papilio aegeus*). Host plant illustrated: Lanolin Bush (*Zieria smithii*)(also known as Sandfly Zieria)

Chequered Swallowtail (*Papilio demoleus*). Host plant: Emu's Foot (*Cullen tenax* formerly *Psoralea tenax*)

Clearwing Swallowtail (*Cressida cressida*) also known as Big Greasy. Host plant: Cressida Pipe Flower (*Aristolochia* sp. aff. *A. pubera*) Illustration shown below.



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