

Lycaenidae

Below is a list of the larval hostplants for the Lycaenidae family. Those named in bold are the main hostplants otherwise they are secondary. Novel or alien hostplants or those only recorded as used in captivity are not listed.

Species		Hostplants			
Green Hairstreak	<i>Callophrys rubi</i>	Broom	<i>Cytisus scoparius</i>	More info	
		Dyer's Greenweed	<i>Genista tinctoria</i>	More info	
		Common Rock-rose	<i>Helianthemum nummularium</i>	More info	
		Bird's-foot Trefoil	<i>Lotus corniculatus</i>	More info	
		Gorse	<i>Ulex europaeus</i>	More info	
		Bilberry	<i>Vaccinium myrtillus</i>	More info	
		Bearberry	<i>Arctostaphylos uva-ursi</i>	More info	
		Heather	<i>Calluna vulgaris</i>	More info	
			Dogwood	<i>Cornus sanguinea</i>	More info
			Crowberry	<i>Empetrum nigrum</i>	More info
			Bell Heather	<i>Erica cinerea</i>	More info
			Cross-leaved Heath	<i>Erica tetralix</i>	More info
			Alder Buckthorn	<i>Frangula alnus</i>	More info
			Petty Whin	<i>Genista anglica</i>	More info
			Greater Bird's-foot Trefoil	<i>Lotus pedunculatus</i>	More info
			Purging Buckthorn	<i>Rhamnus cathartica</i>	More info
			Bramble	<i>Rubus fruticosus</i>	More info
			Western Gorse	<i>Ulex gallii</i>	More info
	Dwarf Gorse	<i>Ulex minor</i>	More info		
	Cranberry	<i>Vaccinium oxycoccus</i>	More info		
	Cowberry	<i>Vaccinium vitis-idaea</i>	More info		
Brown Hairstreak	<i>Thecla betulae</i>	Blackthorn	<i>Prunus spinosa</i>	More info	
Purple Hairstreak	<i>Neozephyrus quercus</i>	Sessile Oak	<i>Quercus petraea</i>	More info	

White-letter Hairstreak	<i>Satyrium w-album</i>	Pedunculate Oak	<i>Quercus robur</i>	More info
		Wych Elm	<i>Ulmus glabra</i>	More info
		English Elm	<i>Ulmus procera</i>	
			<i>Ulmus minor agg.</i>	More info
Black Hairstreak	<i>Satyrium pruni</i>	Blackthorn	<i>Prunus spinosa</i>	More info
		Small Copper	<i>Lycaena phlaeas</i>	
		Common Sorrel	<i>Rumex acetosa</i>	More info
		Sheep's Sorrel	<i>Rumex acetosella</i>	More info
		Water Dock	<i>Rumex hydrolapathum</i>	More info
		Broad-leaved Dock	<i>Rumex obtusifolius</i>	More info
		Fiddle Dock	<i>Rumex pulcher</i>	More info
Small Blue	<i>Cupido minimus</i>	Kidney Vetch	<i>Anthyllis vulneraria</i>	More info
Silver-studded Blue	<i>Plebejus argus</i>	Heather	<i>Calluna vulgaris</i>	More info
		Bell Heather	<i>Erica cinerea</i>	More info
		Common Rock-rose	<i>Helianthemum nummularium</i>	More info
		Hoary Rock-rose	<i>Helianthemum oelandicum</i>	More info
		Bird's-foot Trefoil	<i>Lotus corniculatus</i>	More info
		Bird's-foot	<i>Ornithopus perpusillus</i>	More info
		Gorse	<i>Ulex europaeus</i>	More info
		Kidney Vetch	<i>Anthyllis vulneraria</i>	More info
		Cross-leaved Heath	<i>Erica tetralix</i>	More info
		Petty Whin	<i>Genista anglica</i>	More info
		Horseshoe Vetch	<i>Hippocrepis comosa</i>	More info
		Common Restharrow	<i>Ononis repens</i>	More info
		Spiny Restharrow	<i>Ononis spinosa</i>	More info
		Wild Thyme	<i>Thymus polytrichus</i>	More info
		Hare's-foot Clover	<i>Trifolium arvense</i>	More info
		Western Gorse	<i>Ulex gallii</i>	More info
Brown Argus	<i>Aricia agestis</i>	Common Stork's-bill	<i>Erodium cicutarium</i>	More info
		Dove-s-foot Crane's-bill	<i>Geranium molle</i>	More info
		Common Rock-rose	<i>Helianthemum nummularium</i>	More info
		Cut-leaved Crane's-bill	<i>Geranium dissectum</i>	More info
		Meadow Crane's-bill	<i>Geranium pratense</i>	More info
		Hedgerow Crane's-bill	<i>Geranium pyrenaicum</i>	More info

Northern Brown Argus	<i>Aricia artaxerxes</i>	Common Rock-rose	<i>Helianthemum nummularium</i>	More info
		Common Stork's-bill	<i>Erodium cicutarium</i>	More info
		Bloody Crane's-bill	<i>Geranium sanguineum</i>	More info
Common Blue	<i>Polyommatus icarus</i>	Bird's-foot Trefoil	<i>Lotus corniculatus</i>	More info
		Greater Bird's-foot Trefoil	<i>Lotus pedunculatus</i>	More info
		Black Medick	<i>Medicago lupulina</i>	More info
		Common Restharrow	<i>Ononis repens</i>	More info
		Bird's-foot	<i>Ornithopus perpusillus</i>	More info
		Hop Trefoil	<i>Trifolium campetsre</i>	More info
		Lesser Trefoil	<i>Trifolium dubium</i>	More info
		Red Clover	<i>Trifolium pratense</i>	More info
		White Clover	<i>Trifolium repens</i>	More info
		Spiny Restharrow	<i>Ononis spinosa</i>	More info
Chalkhill Blue	<i>Polyommatus coridon</i>	Horseshoe Vetch	<i>Hippocrepis comosa</i>	More info
		Kidney Vetch	<i>Anthyllis vulneraria</i>	More info
		Wild Liquorice	<i>Astragalus glycyphyllos</i>	More info
		Bird's-foot Trefoil	<i>Lotus corniculatus</i>	More info
		Bird's-foot	<i>Ornithopus perpusillus</i>	More info
		Red Clover	<i>Trifolium pratense</i>	More info
		White Clover	<i>Trifolium repens</i>	More info
Adonis Blue	<i>Polyommatus bellargus</i>	Horseshoe Vetch	<i>Hippocrepis comosa</i>	More info
		White Clover	<i>Trifolium repens</i>	More info
Holly Blue	<i>Celastrina argiolus</i>	Holly	<i>Ilex aquifolium</i>	More info
		Common Ivy	<i>Hedera helix</i>	More info
		Heather	<i>Calluna vulgaris</i>	More info
		Dogwood	<i>Cornus sanguinea</i>	More info
		Broom	<i>Cytisus scoparius</i>	More info
		Spindle	<i>Euonymus europaeus</i>	More info
		Alder Buckthorn	<i>Frangula alnus</i>	More info
		Hop	<i>Humulus lupulus</i>	More info
		Purple Loosestrife	<i>Lythrum salicaria</i>	More info
		Bramble	<i>Rubus fruticosus</i>	More info
		Raspberry	<i>Rubus idaeus</i>	More info

Large Blue	<i>Phengaris arion</i>	Grey Willows	<i>Salix cinerea</i>	More info
		Gorse	<i>Ulex europaeus</i>	More info
		Wayfaring Tree	<i>Viburnum lantana</i>	More info
		Wild Thyme	<i>Thymus polytrichus</i>	More info
		Wild Marjoram	<i>Origanum vulgare</i>	More info

Reference: Roger L.H. Dennis (2010), **A Resource-based Habitat View for Conservation** – Butterflies in the British Landscape, Wiley-Blackwell