



## EcoNugget

### Hiding in Plain Sight: Moths & Butterflies

As the weather starts to warm up, many moths and butterflies are waking up from a long slumber in their chrysalises and cocoons. Many species survive winter in leaf mulch, so “leave your leaves.”

#### Tips & Tricks

- Plant native flowers in your garden! Butterflies love milkweed, coneflowers, and asters.
- Moths like to stay up late. When you're out and about after dark, keep an eye around lamps and other light sources for moths.
- Don't be discouraged if you can't find them... moths and butterflies are masters of disguise and blend in with their environment seamlessly.
- Don't stop looking! As the months progress, different moths and butterflies will come out.
- Curious about what you're seeing? Take a photo of the butterfly or moth and upload it to [inaturalist.ca](http://inaturalist.ca) to discover what kind it is.

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