



# The Butterfly House

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Open the cover of this stunning book to find a warm welcome to a virtual butterfly house in which readers will discover the four-stage life cycle of the butterfly in the hatchery room, what happens at the feeding station and how to identify the differences between butterflies and moths.

The major focus of the book is to introduce the amazing number and variety of butterflies and moths which may be found in a butterfly house, representing the range of species in our world. Readers are shown how to identify them, significant behavior and where they may be found in their natural habitats. The underrated beauty of the moth family is highlighted, potentially changing some attitudes. The narrative style is friendly and informative, and annotation is clear. A glossary may have been a helpful addition for key vocabulary particularly where not explained in context. Interesting details are pointed out such as the male sleepy oranges which like mud puddling, and the male Ulysses butterfly attracted by the colour blue, something young observers encountering this species in the wild or in a ?real? butterfly house might look out for. The interactive element continues with the last double page spread which invites young readers to look back through the book to identify a selection of moths and butterflies illustrated.

The illustrations are absolutely stunning, and the book design is very attractive making this a delightful book to browse and share. **The Butterfly House** is likely to encourage young nature spotters to be more observant about butterflies and moths around them and develop skills in identifying species

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