

Inkberrow Millennium Green Big Butterfly Count 25/07/2018

Butterfly	From entrance to Millennium Seat in field 2 via upper path	Return via main steps and lower path	
Meadow brown	4	6	10
Gatekeeper	7	7	14
Small white	5	6	11
Large white	2	8	10
Common Blue	11	8	19
Green veined white	1	3	4
Ringlet	3	1	4
Red admiral	1	1	2
Brimstone		1	1
Silver washed fritillary		2 (one a valezina form)	2
Painted lady		1	1
Small skipper		1	1
Speckled wood		1	1
Orange tip		1	1
Totals	34	47	
Over all total			81

Outward count not so varied - many recorded on willowherb in small stream valley. Very few over cut hay.

Return produced some surprises like painted lady and fritillary. Most butterflies were on knapweed which has done very well in field 2. The valezina (dark) form of the fritillary was in the copse along with the speckled wood.

Marbled whites seem to be over (I saw just 1 on Monday 23rd July). They were present in good numbers a few weeks ago.

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