

A Sufficiency of Butterflies
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The conditions for butterflies must be absolutely perfect right now. I have never seen so many butterflies here ever. It is handy that they happen to love the Doranta plant out front and are congregating in large numbers. I was tickled to see that there are Monarch butterflies as well as Soldiers. They look so much alike that it is difficult to tell them apart without serious scrutiny.

There are as many as 20 butterflies out there fluttering around. I identified a Boisduval's Yellow which is supposedly only

in southeast Arizona but as with birds, maps and geographical descriptions are hardly accurate. There are also Painted Ladies and Dina Yellows to add to the inventory. It is positively a wonderland in the front yard!