

Re: Marmari

by marmari, 28-Mar-12 02:33 AM GMT

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Re: Marmari

by Neil Hulme, 28-Mar-12 02:45 AM GMT

Congratulations! I'm delighted for you, as I know how much effort you've put into trying to find the Holy Grail of British butterflies. I've been over with Matthew (Oates) recently, but this year we failed at Woodhouse despite giving it a thorough going over. Plenty of Comma plus a few Peacock, Brimstone, Red Admiral and three Speckled Wood was the best we could muster. We bumped into John Rowell who confirmed a lack of success on his part this season. We suspected that they might have dispersed from this overwintering ground and so went looking elsewhere on the island but not Walters Copse 😊.

Well done again, and great pics!

Neil

Re: Marmari

by Pete Eeles, 28-Mar-12 02:50 AM GMT

Well done Peter – very happy for you! Sometimes perseverance pays off! I had an "experience" myself today. Will post in my diary shortly – not as spectacular as your sighting though!

Cheers,

– Pete

Re: Marmari

by Mark Colvin, 28-Mar-12 03:26 AM GMT

Congratulations.

Now that's what I call a result ...

Kind regards. Mark

Re: Marmari

by Padfield, 28-Mar-12 03:50 AM GMT

That's marvellous news – well done! I can almost physically feel your elation from here!

That looks to me like a female. Let's hope she has left lots of eggs on her travels around the island. In fact, what you really need now is to catch her in the act...

Guy

Re: Marmari

by Ian Pratt, 28-Mar-12 04:47 AM GMT

Well done Peter. Glad they are still around on the IOW after the problems at Woodhouse Copse.

Re: Marmari

by Wurzel, 28-Mar-12 06:40 AM GMT

What is it with today? I was happy with my first Small White in the garden and then I read about people getting back from Spain and all the species there, then there's a Camberwell Beauty in Wiltshire and now here's a Large Tortoiseshell 🐞🐞 Congratulations though, some great shots there 😊

Have a goodun

Wurzel

Re: Marmari

by Vince Massimo, 28-Mar-12 09:48 AM GMT

Very well done Peter 🐞, I'm pleased your efforts were finally rewarded.

Would it be possible to add these images to the Species-Specific Album please? I would ideally like to see all the Large Tortoiseshell images taken in the Isle of Wight over the past few years put into the Album. I have seen them posted in the past, so if there is anybody out there who has any, could they oblige please?

Regards,
Vince

Re: Marmari

by Ian Pratt, 28-Mar-12 03:47 PM GMT

My photo of the LT from 3 years ago is now in the album.

Re: Marmari

by adrian riley, 28-Mar-12 04:03 PM GMT

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Congratulations though, some great shots there 😊

Have a goodun

Wurzel

Hi, Wurzel
Do you have any details about the Cambeaut in Wilts?
Cheers, Adrian Riley

Re: Marmari

by dilettante, 28-Mar-12 07:40 PM GMT

Excellent LT sighting and photos. What a fantastic experience!

Re: Marmari

by MikeOxon, 28-Mar-12 07:49 PM GMT

"adrian riley" wrote:

Do you have any details about the Cambeaut in Wilts?

look at the recent tweets list on this site. Info at <http://www.wiltshire-butterflies.org.uk/>

Re: Marmari

by Lee Hurrell, 28-Mar-12 09:31 PM GMT

Good work on the LT! And lovely shots.

What a treat that must have been.

Best wishes,

Lee

Re: Marmari

by millerd, 28-Mar-12 11:33 PM GMT

Brilliant, absolutely brilliant!

Congratulations!

Dave

Re: Marmari

by marmari, 28-Mar-12 11:57 PM GMT

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The Small Blues at Whiteways Quarry Carpark

by marmari, 31-Mar-12 11:40 PM GMT

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Re: Marmari

by Nick Broomer, 01-Apr-12 01:47 AM GMT

Well done again Peter, thats absolutely brilliant.

I went over to Walter`s Copse with Mark Colvin, and did`nt see one. 🐢

All the best,

Nick.

Re: Marmari

by marmari, 08-Apr-12 04:33 AM GMT

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Re: Marmari

by Wurzel, 08-Apr-12 05:56 AM GMT

You're starting to annoy me now Peter with all your delectable sightings! 🐢🐢

Have a goodun

Wurzel

Re: Marmari

by MikeOxon, 08-Apr-12 06:15 AM GMT

"Wurzel" wrote:

You're starting to annoy me now Peter with all your delectable sightings!

Perhaps we should send all such people to the Czech Republic, so they can join Marek!

Mike

Re: Marmari

by marmari, 08-Apr-12 06:29 AM GMT

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Re: Marmari

by David M, 08-Apr-12 09:23 PM GMT

"marmari" wrote:

it would be nice to think that the Large Tortoiseshell is a natural resident on the Isle of Wight and breeding.

That's a wonderful thought and hopefully true.

I daresay it would pay dividends to search for the next generation of adults (as well as any larvae) later on this year.

Re: Marmari

by marmari, 14-Apr-12 09:41 PM GMT

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Re: Marmari

by marmari, 16-Apr-12 05:24 AM GMT

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Re: Marmari

by Ian Pratt, 16-Apr-12 06:04 AM GMT

I was there too this afternoon and saw the same four species, including a tiny grizzled skipper. Good to see a wall brown. 😊

Re: Marmari

by Nick Broomer, 16-Apr-12 06:12 AM GMT

Hi Marmari,

Some lovely photos. Your spring seems so far ahead of ours here in Surrey. I was joined by Mark Colvin yesterday afternoon at Chiddingfold Wood looking

for G.S. and D.S. We came up with nothing, apart from a S.W. which i saw before Mark arrived. But we did get good views of Nightingales as a bonus 😊 . I don` t expect to see G.S. for at least another week, and D.S. not for another two weeks.

All the best,

Nick.

Re: Marmari

by Wurzel, 16-Apr-12 06:15 AM GMT

Wall, Grizzlie,Dingy and Small Copper? 🍷🍷

Have a goodun

Wurzel

Re: Marmari

by Lee Hurrell, 16-Apr-12 10:08 PM GMT

The colours on the Wall are stunning – what a beauty 😊

Lee

Re: Marmari

by David M, 17-Apr-12 12:35 AM GMT

This certainly seems the place to be thus far in 2012, with Large Tortoiseshells making an appearance along with all the other early species.

Re: Marmari

by marmari, 17-Apr-12 01:24 AM GMT

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Re: Marmari

by Wurzel, 17-Apr-12 05:55 AM GMT

Enough!! can't take any more of this envy 😊🍷🍷

Have a goodun

Wurzel

Re: Marmari

by marmari, 18-Apr-12 12:58 AM GMT

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Re: Marmari

by David M, 18-Apr-12 04:37 AM GMT

"marmari" wrote:

Today after a very wet start the sun came out by mid-morning. A short drive along the coast to Glanville country and a wander over the clifftops. It was certainly blowing a hoolee and if anything was about it was keeping its head down. Better luck at wonderland carpark where I wanted to get a better view of the male Wall which had eluded me yesterday. Still a bit breezy there but sheltered, and soon spotted a male and female Wall.

I sometimes feel you're living in a foreign country, Marmari. Please keep up with the reports as we all need to bear in mind that this IS the UK and there ARE hotspots where things don't pan out conventionally. You are very fortunate to live in an area such as this and we are fortunate to hear about what goes on there via your diary.

Re: Marmari

by Ian Pratt, 18-Apr-12 07:07 AM GMT

Thanks for the reports and great photos Peter. I just missed the small blue and dingy skipper on Sunday. Perhaps see you there next weekend? 😊

Re: Marmari

by marmari, 21-Apr-12 06:11 AM GMT

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Re: Marmari

by Goldie M, 22-Apr-12 09:52 PM GMT

I'm hoping to get to the Ise-of-Wight this May for a short stay, If I get to see anything like the photo's you've got here Marmari I'll be truly happy 😊
Goldie M

Re: Marmari

by marmari, 23-Apr-12 02:49 AM GMT

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Re: Marmari

by marmari, 25-Apr-12 12:51 AM GMT

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Re: Marmari

by Ian Pratt, 25-Apr-12 02:25 AM GMT

Great photos. Thanks for the update Peter.
Ian

Re: Marmari

by David M, 25-Apr-12 05:20 AM GMT

Ditto.

This is the most interesting sightings thread this year so far. There seems to be a lot happening on the Isle of Wight, almost as though it was part of the continent rather than the British Isles.

Re: Marmari

by NickMorgan, 25-Apr-12 05:39 AM GMT

Wow, so many species that we don't get here in East Lothian. Great pictures. It's good to know that there are butterflies on the wing somewhere in the UK. I haven't seen a butterfly in 9 days! 😞

Re: Marmari

by marmari, 28-Apr-12 06:56 AM GMT

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Re: Marmari

by essexbuzzard, 28-Apr-12 07:14 AM GMT

Cracking pictures,keep them coming.
Glad to see the sun is shining somewhere in GB!

Re: Marmari

by David M, 28-Apr-12 10:18 PM GMT

"essexbuzzard" wrote:

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Glad to see the sun is shining somewhere in GB!

Absolutely. I'm desperate to get out but it's only 11c in Swansea and pretty cloudy too.

Re: Marmari

by marmari, 01-May-12 01:40 AM GMT

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Re: Marmari

by marmari, 05-May-12 03:07 AM GMT

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Re: Marmari

by marmari, 12-May-12 01:25 AM GMT

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Re: Marmari

by Ian Pratt, 12-May-12 02:35 AM GMT

Good news Peter. Very late first appearance for the GFs. Hope to see some tomorrow. Great photos. 😊
Ian

Re: Marmari

by David M, 12-May-12 05:25 AM GMT

Glanville Fritillary and Clouded Yellow seen on the same spring day. Can't be many places where that wouldn't be anything other than a once in a lifetime event.

You're having a great early season, Marmari. Hope high summer is just as kind.

Re: Marmari

by marmari, 16-May-12 05:44 AM GMT

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Re: Marmari

by marmari, 17-May-12 12:00 AM GMT

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Re: Marmari

by marmari, 26-May-12 06:40 AM GMT

