

Re: Reverdin

by Reverdin, 13-Apr-15 04:21 AM GMT

Christened 2015 with this one from my garden last week. A late start, but a surprize Green=veined White to kick off, with Peacock, Comma and Small Tortoiseshell all on the same, Easter day. Went looking later for Green hairstreaks locally, but I reckon they are 2 weeks away yet up here.



Re: Reverdin

by Goldie M, 14-Apr-15 02:46 AM GMT

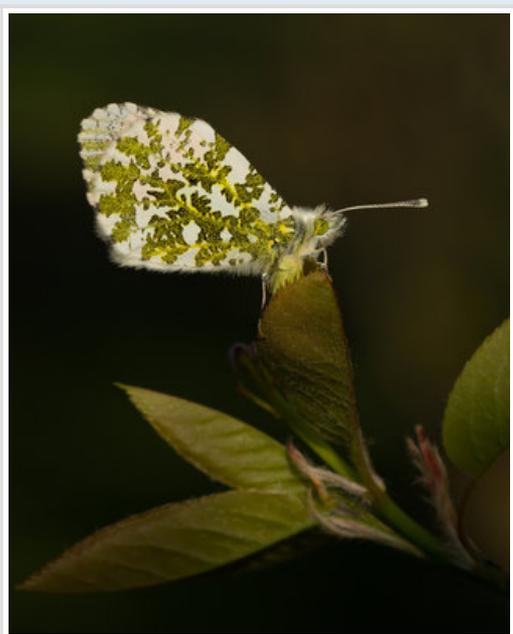
Love the Comma the colour on the wing really stands out. Goldie 😊

Re: Reverdin

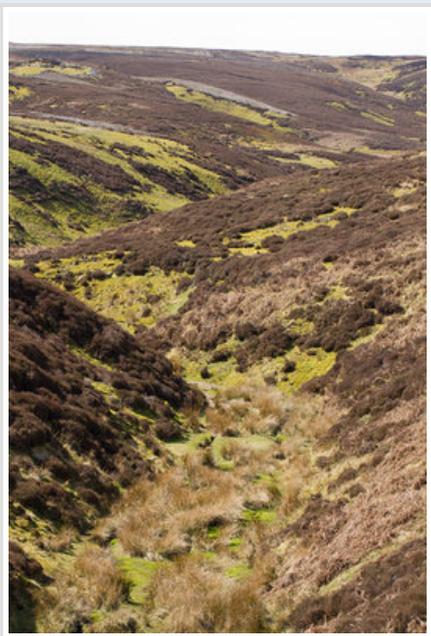
by Reverdin, 18-Apr-15 06:52 AM GMT

Always good looking Goldie 😊

Today bought my warmest day so far, and my first Orange Tips..



Decided to see if the Green Hairstreaks are about, found only one, but at least didn't come up empty handed.



The moorland shot is for context, this gully is where the Green Hairstreaks fly every year, high in Swaledale.

Re: Reverdin

by Goldie M, 19-Apr-15 10:01 PM GMT

Nice shots Reverdin, 🍀 I'll be on the look out in the next few days the temperatures are going into the teens so hope fully I'll see some thing, I've not got those two yet Goldie 😊

Re: Reverdin

by Reverdin, 25-Apr-15 07:25 AM GMT

Orange Tip today..



Re: Reverdin

by Reverdin, 27-Apr-15 05:41 AM GMT

A couple more local Green Hairstreaks this morning...





Re: Reverdin

by Wurzel, 27-Apr-15 05:54 AM GMT

That final Greenstreak is a little gem Reverdin 🍀 😊

Have a goodun

Wurzel

Re: Reverdin

by Reverdin, 05-May-15 06:47 AM GMT

Thanks, it got there all on it's own, but I was trying to encourage some sort of photogenic background... anyway, it did the job spontaneously!!

Female Orange Tip, laid up today on Garlic Mustard in the garden....



PS... just graduated to I-phone and downloaded Lepidapp – looks good guys... just ask if you want a photo of a female Silvery Argus 😊
<http://ptkbutterflies.wix.com/photo-art...rgus/c1woc>

Re: Reverdin

by Reverdin, 29-May-15 06:01 AM GMT

I am just back home from a week on the South Downs, and although the weather was mixed, visits to Fontmell, Compton and Martin Downs, along with Durlston Country Park, provided me some memorable moments, such as the following.....



Male Adonis



Male Adonis



Male Adonis



Male Adonis

Also, my first ever female Adonis photo..



Female Adonis

Other species...



Male Common Blue



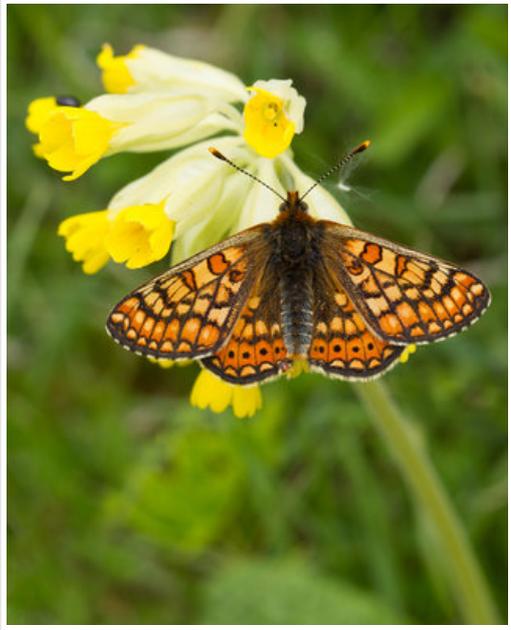
Male Small Blue



Brown Argus



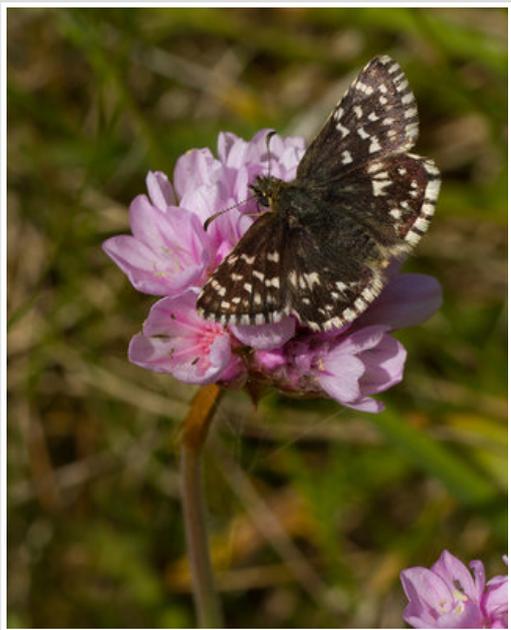
Green Hairstreak



Marsh Frit



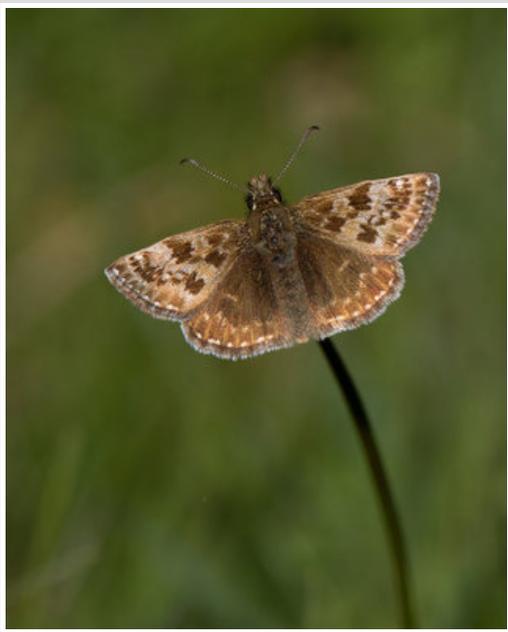
Marsh Frit



Grizzled Skipper



Grizzled Skipper



Dingy Skipper

Very enjoyable week 😊

Re: Reverdin

by kevlng, 29-May-15 09:00 PM GMT

Reverdin,

Lovely sequence of photos from your trip to the Downs. The colour of that male Adonis is cracking.

Regards Kev

Re: Reverdin

by Pete Eeles, 30-May-15 02:16 AM GMT

"Reverdin" wrote:

I am just back home from a week on the South Downs

Given the photos, I was sure you were about to say "Alps" somewhere in that sentence, Paul – excellent photos! The Adonis (and especially the female) are corkers 😊

Cheers,

– Pete

Re: Reverdin

by Padfield, 30-May-15 02:19 AM GMT

I agree – fantastic pictures.

Guy

Re: Reverdin

by Reverdin, 30-May-15 06:48 AM GMT

Thank you all for your endorsements, glad you enjoyed the pics 😊

A bit out of order here, but just before the South Downs, I visited the North York Moors, for these....



Male



Female



Re: Reverdin

by David M, 30-May-15 06:52 AM GMT

Beautiful specimens, Reverdin, especially the female.

Re: Reverdin

by Reverdin, 30-May-15 06:59 AM GMT

Thank you David, yes, she was a bit special... sadly I never quite seem to get the autofocus to work on Dukes... they are both irritatingly slightly fuzzy



Just need to go back to bellargus for a mo.... this is my latest developed pic...



Incidentally, any ID for the plant he's sitting on ??

Re: Reverdin

by bugboy, 30-May-15 07:24 AM GMT

I think your gorgeous Adonis is sitting on Hoary Plantain and that Duchess is a proper little stunner!

Re: Reverdin

by Reverdin, 31-May-15 06:52 AM GMT

Ah.. so that's Hoary Plantain, don't get that up my neck of the woods. It was rather pretty. Thanks for your help BB 😊
Saw my first butterfly since I returned home last Monday... an unidentified White making it's way across the garden... all of you down south are very fortunate.. 🍷

Re: Reverdin

by Reverdin, 31-May-15 07:08 AM GMT

I was interested to read Pauline's blog, and to find a bug I had just seen myself but had no idea about... so here it is... the Golden Bloomed Grey Longhorn Beetle...



I think it's awesome!!!

Re: Reverdin

by Reverdin, 27-Jun-15 04:26 AM GMT

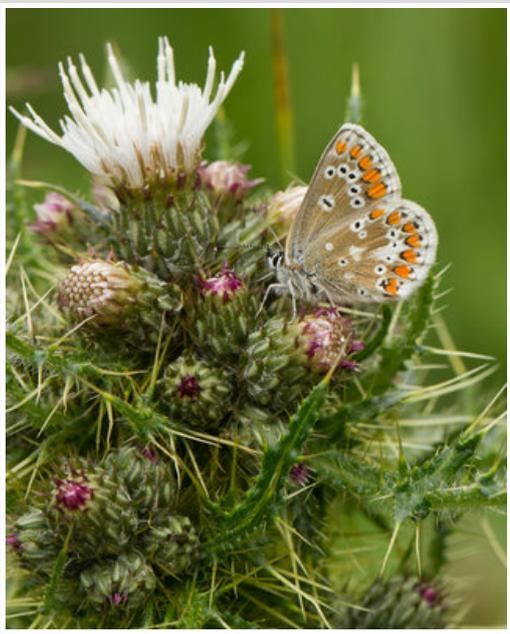
Close to home today, rather odd weather but sufficient to get to see *salmacis* locally.....



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and here's a context shot...





Re: Reverdin

by Goldie M, 06-Jul-15 09:26 PM GMT

Hi! Reverdin, I went to Gait Barrow not long since, although the weather was good still no NB there, Your photos are good, love to see Butterflies on flowers.

Some one as sighted them at Arnside Knot looks like I was in the wrong place Goldie 😊

Re: Reverdin

by Reverdin, 18-Jul-15 06:38 AM GMT

Hi Goldie, sorry I didn't reply, I have been indulging myself in Italy. Northern Brown Argus are quite local but not uncommon on my side of the Pennines, but the best ones are undoubtedly the white spotted Scottish variety, which it would be worth travelling a little further north and west to see, if you have not done so already. 😊

Re: Reverdin

by Reverdin, 18-Jul-15 06:41 AM GMT

For many more butterflies on Italian flowers, and other things (!), please have a look at – [http://ptkbutterflies.wix.com/photo-art... 36d300c2b6](http://ptkbutterflies.wix.com/photo-art...36d300c2b6) This covers Day 1. 6th July.... there will be more to come.



Re: Reverdin

by Reverdin, 18-Jul-15 11:07 PM GMT

Day 2 & 3 can be seen here:- [http://ptkbutterflies.wix.com/photo-art... a6a92c4a0e](http://ptkbutterflies.wix.com/photo-art...a6a92c4a0e) should you wish to. 😊

Re: Reverdin

by Padfield, 19-Jul-15 04:02 AM GMT

Hi Paul. Great pictures from the first three days. Your *cassioides* is unusual, if it is that, for the lack of spotting on the hindwing. As a general rule, *cassioides* and *tyndarus* don't fly together, so if you were seeing *cassioides* there I guess that must be what it is – and the forewings do look more like *cassioides*. I think you were too low when you took that for *nivalis*.

As for your identity parade, I have begun a post responding to that but then had to get involved with something else. I'll give you the Swiss votes as soon as I finish it! 😊

And as a private aside, I bought a pot of basil the other day and have been enjoying homebrewed beer in the sun with bread topped with finely chopped tomatoes and basil, with olive oil. Very good combination! 😊

Guy

Re: Reverdin

by Reverdin, 19-Jul-15 05:43 AM GMT

I look forward to your further thoughts as to marks out of 7 for *warrenensis*!.. my *cassioides* could be *tyndarus* as I was mainly going on the size of the forewing ups eye spots.. I am not a reliable judge on such matters.... however, as far as food goes I obviously have massive experience, 😊 , and that combination of flavours is an Italian manna from heaven, and in 30 degree heat, is to die for isn't it 😊

Re: Reverdin

by Reverdin, 20-Jul-15 05:37 AM GMT

Day 4 and Stelvio Pass now here... [http://ptkbutterflies.wix.com/photo-art... 66c2a41771](http://ptkbutterflies.wix.com/photo-art...66c2a41771)

Re: Reverdin

by Reverdin, 22-Jul-15 07:19 AM GMT

Day 5 and Bormio 3000 now here...

[http://ptkbutterflies.wix.com/photo-art... a6a92efa44](http://ptkbutterflies.wix.com/photo-art...a6a92efa44)

Silky ssp *triopes*, Sooty ssp *velocissima*, female Cynthia, Glandon, Large Grizzled, Swiss Brassy. 😊

Re: Reverdin

by Reverdin, 24-Jul-15 05:55 AM GMT

Day 6 and the nearby large reservoir here...

<http://ptkbutterflies.wix.com/photo-art...011b64a95f>

Only really memorable for Small Apollos 😊😊

Re: Reverdin

by Reverdin, 26-Jul-15 06:33 AM GMT

Day 7 and 8 now here...

<http://ptkbutterflies.wix.com/photo-art...66c2a8bfe5>

Moving day to Domodossola, and my first full day there, which I spent with Guy in search of *morpheus* 😊

Re: Reverdin

by Reverdin, 27-Jul-15 05:25 AM GMT

The last two days, and *morpheus* now here....

<http://ptkbutterflies.wix.com/photo-art...ffe2e6481d>

Hope you enjoyed the pics! 😊

Re: Reverdin

by Padfield, 27-Jul-15 06:17 AM GMT

I'm thrilled you finally got your *morpheus* – and brilliant pictures too!

Guy

Re: Reverdin

by Reverdin, 28-Jul-15 04:44 AM GMT

Thanks Guy.... I actually don't think I would have if not for you. In my mind's eye, I had a completely different idea of habitat, but you gave me all the clues to get me there! The lush, if small, patch of very long grass where they were present would have otherwise passed me completely by. (as would the *montana* 😊 elsewhere)

Hope we can snatch the odd day out in the future ! 😊

Just in case anyone wonders what I'm talking about...



zebedee



Re: Reverdin

by Reverdin, 12-Sep-15 03:10 AM GMT

Various combinations of all three whites, Comma, Peacock, Red Admiral and the occasional Painted Lady, plentiful Speckled Woods, and singleton Common Blue, Brimstone and Small Copper still around the garden on warmer days over the past couple of weeks.... and this rather tired visitor today, we don't see many of these up here in Northernmost Yorkshire....



C. argiolus female 2nd brood

