



Moth Trapping Report

Summary

Location:	Green Cross Cottage, South Garden (TQ3615)
Date:	11/04/2025
Trap(s):	MV Robinson Trap
Recorders(s):	Chris Chapman
Moth Count:	17
Species Count: (see notes)	9 New for Year: 2 New for Location: 0 Total new species for Location this Year: 3 Species Count for Year: 45 Species Total for Location: 442
Non-species Count:	0
Notable Record Count:	1

Full List

NFY = New Species For Year

Species	Count	Type	Sussex Status	Comment
Brindled Beauty (<i>Lycia hirtaria</i>)	3	Macro	Common (1,801)	This relatively common species is single brooded occurring from early February to mid-May. Larvae feed on lime, oak & silver birch
Brindled Pug (<i>Eupithecia abbreviata</i>)	1	Macro	Common (4,025)	A relatively common resident species that generally flies from early March to late May. The larvae feed on oak.
Clouded Drab (<i>Orthosia incerta</i>)	1	Macro	Common (5,043)	A resident species generally well distributed. Single-brooded, flying mainly from late February to late May. Larvae feed on oak, willow, apple, white helleborine and hop.
Frosted Green (<i>Polyplocia ridens</i>)	5	Macro	Fairly Common (776)	A fairly common resident that is associated with Oak woods. Single-brooded, flying mainly from early April to mid May. Larvae feed on Oak.
Hebrew Character (<i>Orthosia gothica</i>)	3	Macro	Very Common (10,295)	A very common species. Single-brooded and flies mainly from early March to early June. Larvae feed on a large range of trees, shrubs and low-growing plants.
Lunar Marbled Brown (<i>Drymonia ruficornis</i>)	1	Macro	Common (1,170)	A common, resident species. Single-brooded, flying mainly from early April to late June, occasionally from late March or to mid July. Larvae feed on oak.
Nut-tree Tussock (<i>Colocasia coryli</i>)	1	Macro	Common (4,327)	A fairly common resident species associated with deciduous. Double-brooded with the largest from the second week of July to the third week of August. Also a significant brood flying mid-April to late May. Larvae feed on beech.
Spindle Smudge (<i>Ypsolopha mucronella</i>) NFY	1	Micro	Very Scarce (145)	

Species	Count	Type	Sussex Status	Comment
Waved Umber (Menophra abruptaria) ^{NFY}	1	Macro	Common (1,292)	

Notable Records

Species	Comment
Spindle Smudge (Ypsolopha mucronella)	A relatively scarce or rare species within Sussex; Likely to be only the 4th time recorded in Plumpton & East Chiltington.

Images



Brindled Beauty (Lycia hirtaria)



Nut-tree Tussock (Colocasia coryli)



Spindle Smudge (*Ypsolopha mucronella*)



Waved Umber (*Menophra abruptaria*)

Notes

The numbers in the **Species Count** section of the **Summary** section only include moths that have been identified to species level.

You can see more details of each species from the [UK Moths website](#) by clicking on the name of the species. This doesn't apply to records at genus level or aggregates.

The Sussex Status is an **unofficial** indication of the likelihood of encountering the species in Sussex based on data sourced from the [Sussex Moth Group](#) website. The number in brackets is the minimum number of times the moth has been recorded in Sussex.

The species comments are primarily sourced from the excellent volumes of **A Revised History of the Butterflies and Moths of Sussex** by C R Pratt.

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