



Moth Trapping Report

Summary

Location:	Green Cross Cottage, South Garden (TQ3615)
Date:	12/02/2026
Trap(s):	MV Robinson Trap
Recorders(s):	Chris Chapman
Moth Count:	46
Species Count: (see notes)	11 New for Year: 2 New for Location: 0 Total new species for Location this Year: 0 Species Count for Year: 16 Species Total for Location: 525
Non-species Count:	1

Full List

NFY = New Species For Year

Species	Count	Type	Sussex Status	Comment
Agonopterix ciliella/heracliana (Agonopterix ciliella/heracliana)	1	Micro		
Chestnut (Conistra vaccinii)	4	Macro	Common (4,297)	Resident. The larvae feed on oak, elm and willow.
Clouded Drab (Orthosia incerta) ^{NFY}	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.
Common Quaker (Orthosia cerasi)	18	Macro	Very Common (9,110)	A very common, resident species found in a wide range of habitats. Single-brooded, flying mainly from early February to late May. Larvae feed on birch, willow, oaks, lime, elm, bramble, rose, sweet chestnut, hawthorn and ash.
Dotted Border (Agriopis marginaria)	3	Macro	Common (1,153)	Resident. Larvae feed on oak, hawthorn, hazel, willow and birch.
Hebrew Character (Orthosia gothica)	7	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.
Oak Beauty (Biston strataria)	1	Macro	Common (2,189)	Resident. Larvae feed on oak, (silver) birch and willow.
Satellite (Eupsilia transversa) ^{NFY}	1	Macro	Common (2,410)	Resident. The larvae feed on oak, beech, elm, hawthorn, (sweet) chestnut, ivy, honeysuckle and other caterpillars.
Small Brindled Beauty (Apocheima hispidaria)	3	Macro	Fairly Common (548)	Resident. Larvae feed on oak.
Small Quaker (Orthosia cruda)	2	Macro	Common (4,821)	A common species associated with deciduous woods. Single-brooded, flying from mid-February to

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				late April. Larvae feed on oak, silver birch, willow, lime and rose.
Spring Usher (<i>Agriopsis leucophaearia</i>)	2	Macro	Fairly Common (582)	Resident. Larvae feed on oak.
Winter Shade (<i>Tortricodes alternella</i>)	3	Micro	Fairly Common (531)	Resident. Larvae feed on oak.

Images



Clouded Drab (*Orthosia incerta*)



Oak Beauty (*Biston strataria*)



Satellite (*Eupsilia transversa*)



Small Brindled Beauty (*Apocheima hispidaria*)

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.

For further details of the records see [Green Cross Nature](#)

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