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Mourning Cloak Butterfly

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Lives with: Weeping willow & Trichoderma

Latin name: Nymphalis antiopa

Description

These butterflies have dark wings. They grow to be around two inches long. When they are caterpillars, they are dark brown too.

Lifespan

Mourning Cloak butterflies live ten months. Girl butterflies die after laying their eggs.

Temperature

Mourning Cloak butterflies hibernate in the winter and mate in the spring.

Interesting facts

They spread their wings toward the sun to get warmer before flying.

Habitat

The Mourning Cloak butterfly lives in dark-barked trees in Europe, Asia, and North America.

Diet

They eat tree sap.

Predators

They are eaten by birds and reptiles.

I'm a Mourning Cloak butterfly

and I am sad like the colors

brown and blue. I am king of

happy, too, because I can fly. I

fly through the sky from tree

to tree in New York City.