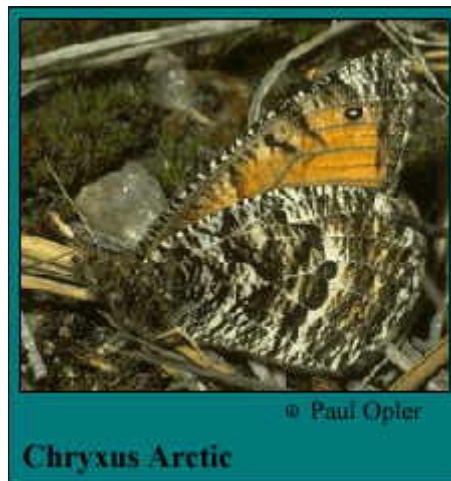


# Chryxus Arctic

*Oeneis chryxus*

-The Chryxus Arctic Butterfly has a cream to brownish-orange upper-side. Its fore-wing has 1 to 4 small black eyespots near the outer margin of the wing, while its hind-wing has only 1 to 2. Chryxus Arctic males are more colorful than the females. They have black and white striations, a wide dark median band, veins with white scales, and only one black spot near the lower inner margin to the underside of the hind-wing.



Wingspan: 1  $\frac{3}{4}$  to 2  $\frac{1}{4}$  inches

Caterpillar hosts: The Chryxus Arctic Butterfly caterpillar can only eat one thing: Poverty oat-grass, (*Danthonia spicata*).

Adult food: The adult Chryxus Arctic Butterfly eats a variety of flower nectar, such as the nectar from Butterfly Weed, Milkweeds, New England Aster, Boneset, Joe Pye Weed, Pale Purple Coneflower, and Purple Coneflower.