

# Jutta Arctic

*Oeneis jutta*

-The upper-side of the Jutta Arctic Butterfly is gray-brown. Both of its wings have a broken yellow-orange submarginal band surrounding 2 through 4 black spots. The undersides of the hind-wings are mottles brown and gray with an obscure median band.

-The range of the Jutta Arctic Butterfly is amazing. It ranges in the North American subarctic habitats from Alaska east across Canada and the Northern Great Lake States to Maine. There are also small isolated populations south in the Rocky Mountains of Colorado.



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

Caterpillar hosts: The caterpillars of the Jutta Arctic Butterfly are not your common flowering plants like other butterflies. These butterflies prefer to lay their eggs on Sedges, including Cottongrass. However, Sedges are wonderful plants to have for soil erosion purposes, so why not plant a few for this unique butterfly

Adult food: The adult form of the Jutta Arctic Butterfly feeds on the nectar of Milkweeds, Asters, and Butterfly Weed.