

# SAMUI BUTTERFLIES

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## Neptis harita harita



Male upperside



Underside

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### Moore 1875 - The Dingiest Sailor

Koh Samui only.

Sexes similar.

This is a common species, regularly found at forest edges. The reduced pale markings on the wings, compared to all the other member of this Genus so far found on Samui, make it easy to identify it in the wild. However, the discovery of the closely related *N. ormeroda* on Koh Pha Ngan suggests that this latter species may be present on Samui as well. *N. harita* is distinguished by, on the hindwing, having the submarginal bands more like a chain.

### Flight Period

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x

### Wingspan

40 - 55mm

### Early Stages

Fully known. More detailed life history information is available from the following resource: [ButterflyCircle Blog](#) (courtesy of Dr. Horace Tan.)

### Larval Foodplant

*Dendrocnide stimulans* (Urticaceae)

### Range

N. E. India to W. and Peninsular Thailand and Malay Peninsular. Other subspecies in Central and Eastern Thailand and Indo-China.