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## Phaedyma columella martabana



Upperside



Male underside

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### Moore 1881 - The Short-Banded Sailor

Koh Samui and Koh Pha Ngan.

Very similar, but larger, than the members of the *Neptis* Genus. This is a common butterfly which can be found everywhere on the Island.

### Flight Period

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

### Wingspan

45 - 65mm

### Early Stages

Fully known. More detailed life history information is available from the following resource: [ButterflyCircle Blog](#) (courtesy of Dr. Horace Tan.) Please note that this is a different subspecies from that found on Samui, but the details are the same.

### Larval Foodplant

*Cratoxylum cochinchinense* (Guttiferae), *Pterocarpus indicus*, *Tadehagi triquetrum* (both Papilionaceae), *Reevesia pubescens*, *Sterculia lanceolata* (both Sterculiaceae)

### Range

Burma, Thailand and Indo-China. Many other subspecies from India, China, Malaysia, Lesser Sunda Islands and the Philippines.