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## Iraota rochana masashimaruyamai



Female upperside



Underside

### K. Saito 2013 - Scarce Silverstreak

A not uncommon species found in secondary vegetation. It is usually to be encountered when feeding on the fruits of the Singapore Rhododendron, which is a common wayside plant.

Until 2013, this species was considered to be the same as that found throughout Thailand and Malaysia. However, K. Saito showed that there were actually 3 subspecies present. The subspecies here is endemic to Samui and Koh Phan Ngan, not yet found on the Mainland.

### Flight Period

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

### Wingspan

32 - 36mm

### Early Stages

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

### Larval Foodplant

*Ficus benjamina* (Moraceae)

### Range

Koh Samui and Koh Pha Ngan only. Other subspecies found from Assam to Myanmar, Mainland Thailand, Malaysia, Singapore and Laos.

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