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Male Underside



Female Underside

Corbet 1941 - Bamboo Treebrown

Koh Samui and Koh Pha Ngan (first found there in December 2012).

A reasonably common species which can be found both in gardens, when it may often be found flying at dusk, as well as bamboo forested areas. It, however, is rarely encountered in the wild, unless disturbed, as it prefers to stay deep in the undergrowth.

The sexes differ in that the female has a broad white stripe on the forewing upperside.

Flight Period

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

Wingspan

55 - 63mm.

Early Stages

Known. More detailed life history information is available from the following resources: S. Igarishi - Life Histories of Asian Butterflies, Volume.1 , Page 334.

Larval Foodplant

Bambusa sp. & other Grasses (both Gramineae)

Range

Peninsular Thailand, West Malaysia and Sumatra. Other subspecies found from India to China, Taiwan, Philippines and the Lesser Sunda Islands.

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