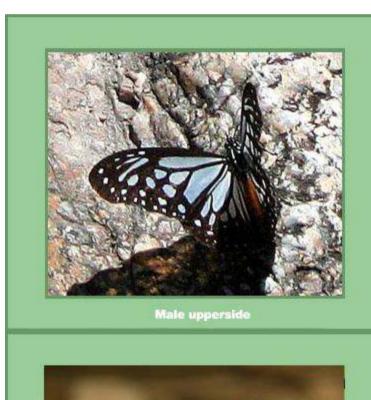
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Cramer 1775 - The Chocolate Tiger

Koh Samui only.

A rare species here, which I have only seen on two occasions on the Island, although it is considered common elsewhere. It is primarily a forest butterfly.

It used to be considered that the local members of this genus were a seperate subspecies, *P. melaneus planiston*, but this, and all other subspecies have now been synonymised with the nominate form, leaving no subspecies.

Flight Period

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

75 - 85mm

Early Stages

Not fully known

Larval Foodplant

Tylophora indica (Asclepidaceae)

Range

India, Burma, Indo-China, China and the Malay Peninsular