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Fruhstorfer 1912 - The Witch

A rare species on Samui, not yet found on Koh Pha Ngan. It appears to be confined to edges of forests and forest clearings.

Flight Period

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

20 - 22mm

Early Stages

Detailed life history information is available from the following resources. S Igarishi - Life Histories of Asian Butterflies, Volume2, Page 580.

Larval Foodplant

Unknown in Thailand, but larvae has been found in Palawan on *Uveria grandiflora* (Annonaceae).

Range

Peninsular Thailand and Malaysia. Other subspecies found in Sikkim, Burma and Northern Thailand., and the Philippines.