

SAMUI BUTTERFLIES

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Male upperside



Male underside

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Linnaeus 1758 - The Tailed Jay

Koh Samui only.

A common and widespread species, that can not be mistaken for any other species on the Island. It is a very swift flyer, and rarely settles, even when feeding.

The species can be found almost anywhere on the Island, from forest clearings to gardens, where it can be found feeding on Lantana flowers. The female is rarer than the male, but by no means uncommon, and can be distinguished by having longer hindwing tails.

Flight Period

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

Wingspan

60 - 70mm

Early Stages



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

Larval Foodplant

Annonaceae and *Magnoliaceae*

Range

North India, Nepal to Thailand, Malaysia and Indo-China. (Other subspecies found through Australasia to the Solomon Islands)

