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Butler 1867 - The Purple Bushbrown

Koh Samui only.

A rare species on the Islands, only encountered a couple of times, both times at the edge of dense forest.

It can be distinguished from the other members of the *mineus* subgroup by, on the underside hindwing, having the ocelli of approximately the same size.

Flight Period

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

Wingspan

40 - 50mm.

Early Stages

Partially known. More detailed life history information is available from the following resources: S. Igarishi - Life Histories of Asian Butterflies, Volume.2 , Page 426.

Larval Foodplant

Cyrtococcum patens (Gramineae)

Range

Peninsular Thailand and West Malaysia. Other [subspecies](#) in the rest of Sundaland.