

MOTTLED DUSKYWING

Erynnis martialis

Order: Lepidoptera

Family: Hesperiidae

FNAI Ranks: G3/SH

U.S. Status: none

FL Status: none



Description: Small duskywing with mottled wings.

Similar Species: Some females of *Erynnis horatius*, Horace's duskywing, and *E. juvenalis*, Juvenal's duskywing may be mistaken for this species.

Habitat: The only known population is in sandhill habitat.

Seasonal Occurrence: This duskywing has only been documented in mid to late June in Florida.

Florida Distribution: This species has only been documented in Okaloosa County but is presumed extirpated from the state.

Range-wide Distribution: This species has been documented from much of the eastern U. S. and adjacent southern Canada, with some populations being found as far west as central Colorado (Schweitzer et al. 2011).

Conservation Status: Only two occurrences have been documented despite intensive search efforts. This species was last reported in Florida in 2008 and is now presumed to be extirpated from the state.

Protection and Management: Fire has to be used to maintain habitat, but burning needs to be done carefully, as all stages of this species are vulnerable to fire (Schweitzer et al 2011).

References: Schweitzer et al. 2011



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