

**Butterflies of Spring Creek Prairie Audubon Center
(54 species – updated April 2017)**

Whites & Sulphurs

[Most abundant butterflies; bright pastel shades]

Checkered white
Cabbage white
Clouded sulphur
Orange sulphur
Cloudless sulphur
Little yellow
Dainty sulphur

Gossamer-wing Butterflies

[Small; shaded in blue, gray, or copper; often with false eyespots and tail antennae]

Harvester
Gray copper
Bronze copper
Henry's elfin
Gray hairstreak
Reakirt's blue
Eastern tailed-blue
Spring azure
Melissa blue

Skippers

[Small, robust bodies; jerky, skipping flight; hooked antennae; many species and very hard to distinguish; typically gold/brown or charcoal/gray coloration]

Silver-spotted skipper
Hayhurst's scalloping
Wild indigo duskywing
Common checkered-skipper
Common sootywing
Least skipper
Peck's skipper
Tawny-edged skipper
Little glassywing
Sachem
Delaware skipper
Hobomok skipper

Brush-footed Butterflies

[Highest number of species; often large; in colors of black, red, or brown]

American snout
Variegated fritillary
Great spangled fritillary
Regal fritillary
Silver-bordered fritillary
Gorgone checkerspot
Silvery checkerspot
Pearl crescent
Question mark
Eastern comma
Gray comma
Mourning cloak
Painted lady
Red admiral
Common buckeye
Red-spotted purple
Viceroy
Hackberry emperor
Tawny emperor
Northern pearly-eye
Common wood-nymph
Little wood-satyr
Monarch

Swallowtails

[Big and spectacular; long tail extensions of hind wings]

Pipevine swallowtail
Black swallowtail
Eastern tiger swallowtail