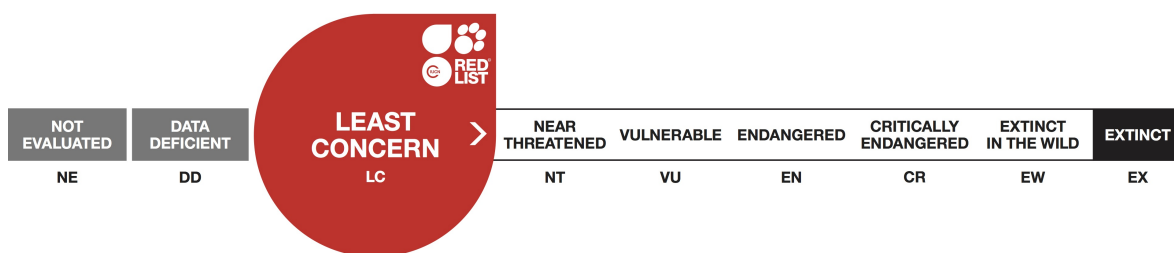


Pararge xiphioides, Canary Speckled Wood

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Taxonomy

Kingdom	Phylum	Class	Order	Family
Animalia	Arthropoda	Insecta	Lepidoptera	Nymphalidae

Taxon Name: *Pararge xiphioides* Staudinger, 1871

Common Name(s):

- English: Canary Speckled Wood

Assessment Information

Red List Category & Criteria: Least Concern [ver 3.1](#)

Year Published: 2010

Date Assessed: January 29, 2009

Justification:

This species is listed as Least Concern, since it has not been declining by more than 25% in the last ten years and its population size is probably larger than 10,000 adult individuals.

Geographic Range

Range Description:

Restricted to the Canary Islands Tenerife, Gran Canaria, Gomera and La Palma. Its elevational range is 200-2,000 m. This is a European endemic species.

Country Occurrence:

Native: Spain (Canary Is.)

Distribution Map

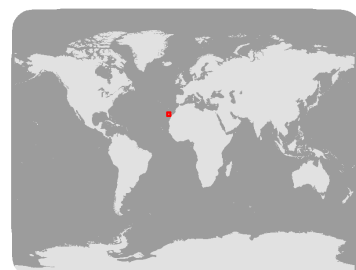


Pararge xiphioides

Range

■ Extant (resident)

Compiled by:
Butterfly Conservation Europe
2009



The boundaries and names shown and the designations used on this map do not imply any official endorsement, acceptance or opinion by IUCN.



Population

A local species, restricted to (semi-) natural areas on the Canary Islands.

Current Population Trend: Stable

Habitat and Ecology (see Appendix for additional information)

The Canary Speckled Wood is a typical woodland butterfly. It can be found throughout the year in laurel and chestnut forests. The caterpillars' foodplants are grasses that grow in woodland and damp grassland, such as false-bromes (*Brachypodium* spp.), cock's-foot (*Dactylus* spp.), *Luzula forsteri*, *Oryzopsis miliacea*, *Agrostis tenuis* and *Carex divulsa*. Detailed habitat descriptions are not available.

Systems: Terrestrial

Use and Trade

All butterflies are collected to some extent, but only for the extremely rare species it can be a problem and the trade in Europe is generally at a low level compared to other continents. There is no specific trade information for this species.

Threats

Although this is a European endemic with a restricted range, this species is not believed to face major threats at the European level.

Conservation Actions (see Appendix for additional information)

This species occurs in a number of protected areas across its range. No specific conservation actions are needed at a European level. But since it has a restricted global range, its distribution and trend should be monitored closely, for example by a Butterfly Monitoring Scheme. More research to distribution and ecology is needed.

Credits

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Appendix

Habitats

(<http://www.iucnredlist.org/technical-documents/classification-schemes>)

Habitat	Season	Suitability	Major Importance?
1. Forest -> 1.4. Forest - Temperate	-	Suitable	-

Conservation Actions in Place

(<http://www.iucnredlist.org/technical-documents/classification-schemes>)

Conservation Actions in Place
In-Place Land/Water Protection and Management
Occur in at least one PA: Yes

Research Needed

(<http://www.iucnredlist.org/technical-documents/classification-schemes>)

Research Needed
3. Monitoring -> 3.1. Population trends

Additional Data Fields

Population
Population severely fragmented: No

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