

# British Nature Guide

## The parts of a butterfly



A butterfly has four wings, two forewings at the front, and two hindwings at the back.

It has two long antennae sticking out from the head. It uses the antennae to detect the scents of flowers and other butterflies in the air.

It has a body made up of a thorax and an abdomen that is covered in hair.



A butterfly has three legs on each side of the body and large eyes on the side of the head.

The head, the wings and the legs are all connected to the thorax, which is the front part of the body.



The thorax contains powerful muscles to work the wings.

The abdomen is the back part of the body and it is connected to the thorax.

The male and female butterflies join together at the end of their abdomens to fertilize the female's eggs.

These words are the main parts of a butterfly. Fill in the missing letters.

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h\_a\_

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t\_o\_a\_

f\_r\_w\_n\_s

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