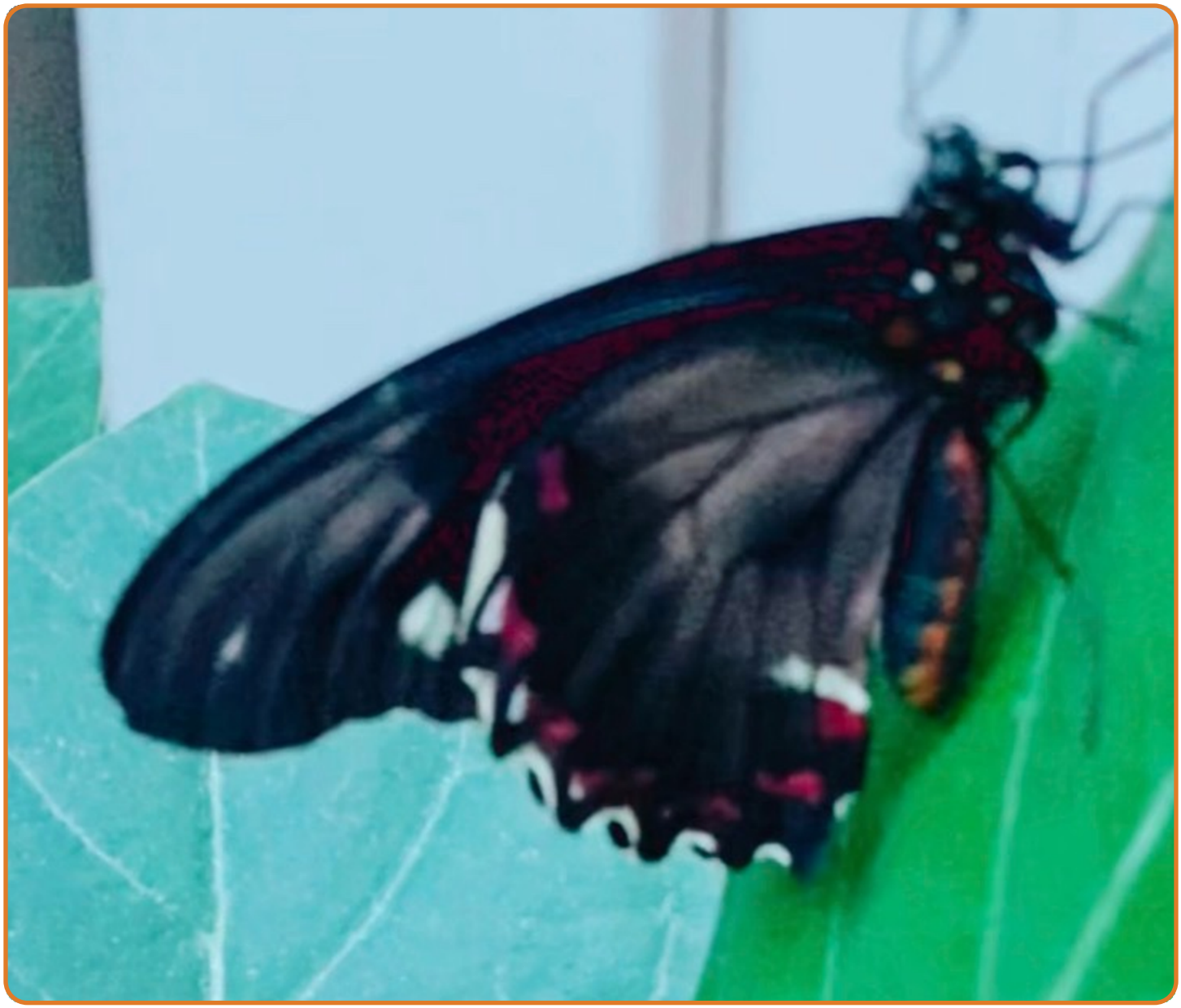
Pipevine Swallowtail Butterfly Life Cycle Activity Pack



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Meet the Pipevine Swallowtail!



1. The pipevine swallowtail is the garden's goth butterfly — black wings that flash blue in the sun.
2. Its caterpillars eat pipevine (Dutchman's pipe). Eating it makes them taste terrible to birds!
3. Pipevine caterpillars feed in GROUPS — you will often find a whole crowd munching together.
4. The caterpillar is dark with bright orange spikes. It looks fierce, but it cannot sting you.
5. Its chrysalis hangs at a funny angle, held by a silk belt called a girdle — like a tiny hammock.
6. In the sunshine, those plain black wings flash an iridescent blue. Goth in the shade, disco in the light!

In the garden: Host plant: pipevine native to your area. Nectar: zinnias, lantana, and thistles. Attract them: give the vine a sunny fence to climb, and the butterflies will find it.

Label the Life Cycle

Look at each photo. Write the matching word from the word bank.

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Egg photo coming soon!

YOUR MISSION: Find one in the garden, take a photo, and it could star in this pack!

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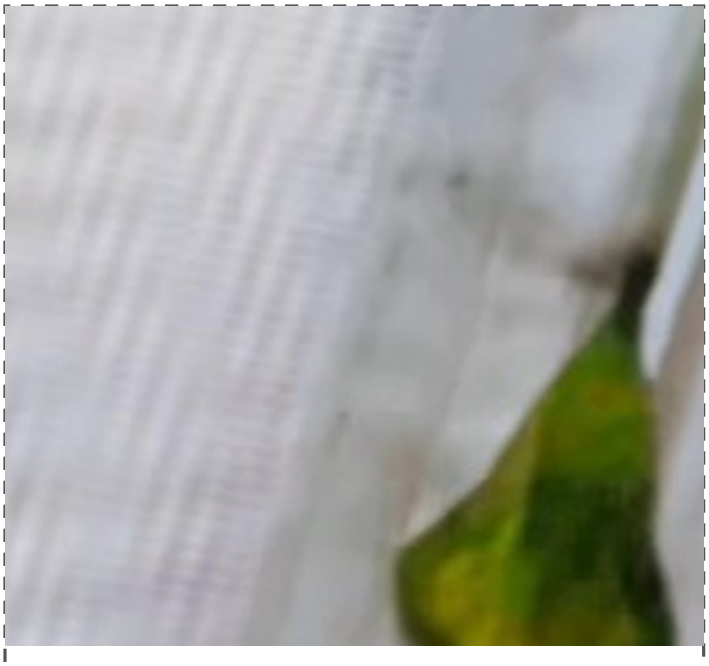
WORD BANK

Chrysalis | Butterfly | Egg | Caterpillar

Answer key: 1 Egg 2 Caterpillar 3 Chrysalis 4 Butterfly

Cut & Order: Sequencing Cards

Cut out the cards. Put the pipevine swallowtail's story in order!

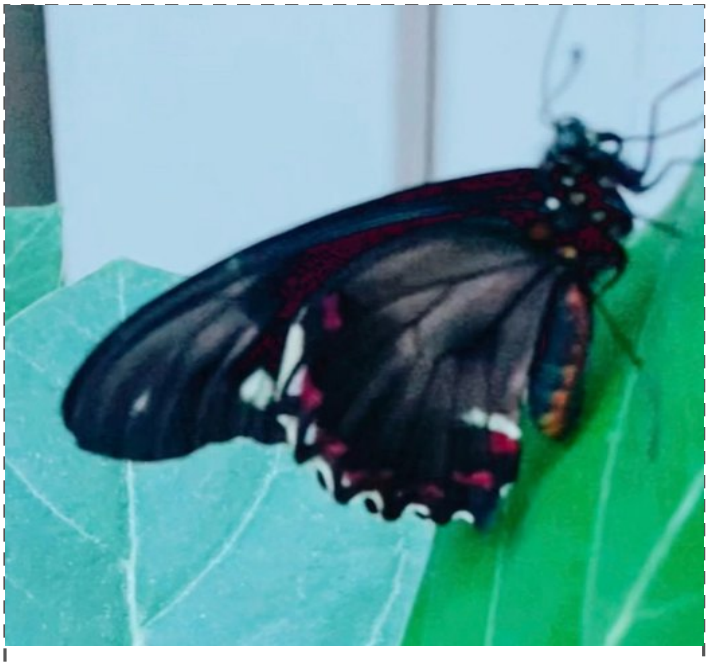


Chrysalis

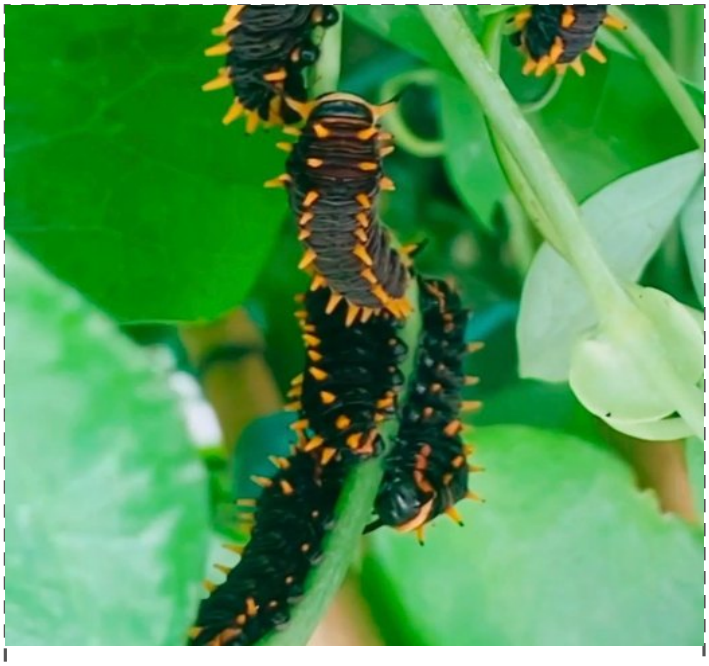
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Butterfly

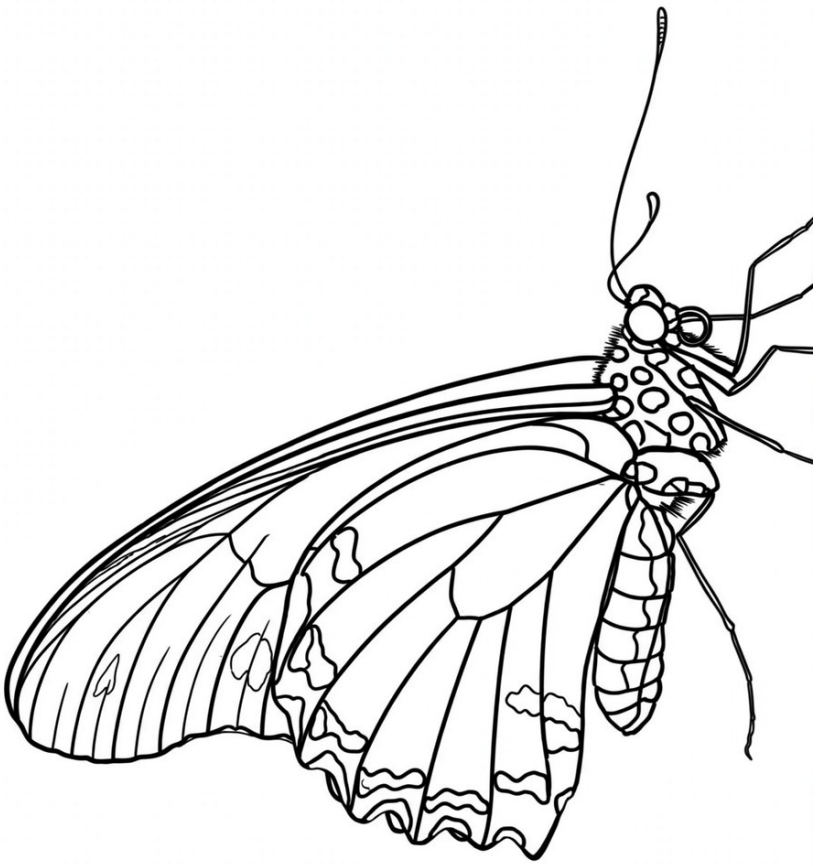


Caterpillar

× Ask a grown-up to help with the scissors! ×

Color Your Own Pipevine Swallowtail!

Real pipevines are black with a blue shine and orange-red spots — but yours can be any colors you dream up.



My Butterfly Journal

Draw the butterfly you saw

Today I saw...

It was sitting on...

Its wings looked like...

One new thing I learned...