

The Rediscovery of Northern Metalmarks in New York

Experimenting with a new camera one July afternoon, I never imagined what a special find my curious photographic subject would become. There in my viewfinder was a small copper and brown butterfly with silvery filigree, that I had never seen before.

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For several years Bill Wallace, a former student of mine at Purchase College and

frequent birding partner, has urged me to join him in the butterfly world. Although



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The original photo of a Northern Metalmark that marked the rediscovery of the species in New York State. July 12, 2007. Dutchess County, New York.



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Both black-eyed susans (top) and butterfly milkweed (bottom) seem to be important nectar sources at this site. July 19, 2007. Dutchess County, New York.