



# The Butterfly

## First stage (infant)

Eggs are laid by the adult female butterfly. These plants will soon become the food to the hatching caterpillars. The next stage is larva the job of the caterpillar is to eat and eat.



## **Second stage (Adult)**

When the caterpillar is full grown it becomes a pupa, the pupa of butterflies is also called a chrysalis. Depending on the type of butterfly the pupa may be under a branch hidden in leaves or buried underground. This stage can last a few weeks or even a month or longer some species then will come the legs the wings and the eyes and the other parts of a butterfly.



## Third stage (Reproduction)

The adult stage is what most people when they think of butterflies flying comes in handy. The adult female can easily find a good place to lay there eggs and the right plant this is important because caterpillars can't travel far. Most adult butterflies live to only one or two weeks but some species during the winter hibernate and last for several months.

