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Animal Fact Sheet

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Glasswing Butterfly

Greta oto

Greta oto, the glasswing of Central and South America, solves the problem of camouflage by simply not being there: most of its wing membrane carries no coloured scales, and the naked chitin is coated…

Quick facts

Classification: Invertebrate
Family: Nymphalidae
Habitat: Rainforest understory and forest edges
Diet: Herbivore (nectar feeder)
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 2-6 weeks (adult stage)
Weight: 0.2-0.3 grams
Scientific name: Greta oto

Did you know?

- Despite their delicate, see-through wings, Glasswing Butterflies can migrate up to 12 miles in a single day.
- The anti-reflective nanostructure works because the pillar heights are randomly distributed - a regular array would only cancel reflections at partic…

What I learned

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