

# BUTTERFLY IDENTIFICATION CHART Sheet 14

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MOSTLY BLUE

Medium sized butterflies - 2.5cm - 6cm



## Satin Azure

*Ogyris amaryllis meridionalis* - the bright metallic blue upper side is usually only seen when flying. At rest only the under side is seen. Caterpillars feed on mistletoe (only *Amyema* spp). Wingspan 34mm



## Broad-margined Azure

*Ogyris olane* - the bright metallic blue upper side is usually only seen when flying. At rest only the under side is seen. Caterpillars feed on yellow mistletoe (*Amyema* spp) growing on Eucalypts. Wingspan 34 - 36mm.



## Southern Purple Azure

*Ogyris genoveva* - the bright upper side is only seen when flying. At rest only the under side is seen. Caterpillars feed on yellow mistletoe (*Amyema* spp) growing on Eucalypts. Wingspan: male (top) 47mm female (bottom) 53mm.



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### Amethyst Hairstreak or Icilius Blue

*Jalmenus icilius* - now rare in the Adelaide area. Occurs in small colonies in woodland areas near its host plant. Caterpillars feed on certain *Acacia* species and are associated with small black ants. Wingspan 26 - 29mm.



### Rayed Blue

*Candalides heathi heathi* - now a rare butterfly, more often seen in foothills woodland habitat. The caterpillars have adapted to introduced ribwort. Wingspan 28 - 29mm.



### Varied of Common Dusky-blue

*Candalides hyacinthina simplex* - now occurs east of the Mt. Lofty Range flying near its host-plant. Caterpillars feed on coarse parasitic dodder laurel growing on mallee. Wingspan 28mm.



### Long-tailed Pea-blue

*Lampides boeticus* - often common around its hostplants of small pea flowering herbs, shrubs and vines. Caterpillars eat the pea flowers and immature pods. Wingspan 25 - 27mm

For more information on these and other butterflies: [www.chariot.net.au/~rgrund/index.htm](http://www.chariot.net.au/~rgrund/index.htm)  
'South Australian Butterflies' website by Roger Grund