

# Fun Facts About Butterflies

**Butterflies use their feet to taste.** They have taste sensors on their feet, and by standing on a leaf, they can taste it to see if their caterpillars can eat it. Most adult butterflies can't bite or chew.

**Butterflies only live for a few weeks.** The average lifespan of an adult butterfly is roughly three to four weeks, however, the entire life cycle can last anywhere between two and eight months.

**Butterflies fart.** Every animal farts including insects like bees and ants and butterflies. If you have a belly of sorts and a rectum, gasses will build up due to digestion and by nature they will fart. Monarch butterflies are the "Kings of Farting".

**Butterflies actually have four wings, not two.** Despite how they may appear in motion, or in drawings or paintings you may have seen, butterflies have four separate wings.

**Butterflies have a liquid diet.** Butterflies source of food is exclusively liquid. Using their proboscis, which functions in the same way you or I might use a straw, butterflies drink nectar or some other variation of liquid sustenance.

## Butterfly Books to Read

