

PLANTS USED BY THE WEST VIRGINIA WHITE BUTTERFLY

Native plants where eggs are laid:



Two-leaved toothwort



Smooth Rock Cress



Cut-leaf toothwort

Exotic plant that poisons WVW caterpillars:



Garlic Mustard

Potential nectar sources (plants used for egg laying are also nectar sources):



Violets (white, yellow, blue, variegated)



Trillium,
(large white
and nodding)



Spring Beauty



Purple Cress



Wild Geranium



Blue Phlox



Sharp-lobed Hepatica
(may show no leaves as
flowers open first)

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Virginia Bluebells



Twinleaf



Bloodroot



Dwarf Ginseng



Trout Lily



Dutchman's Breeches



Rue Anemone



Foam Flower



Squirrel Corn



Jacob's Ladder



Bellwort



Solomon's Plume



Buttercups

High Deer Damage:



Low Deer Damage:

- No browse line
- Rich ground vegetation

Signs of Earthworm Activity:



Castings on the surface



Last year's litter on remaining leaf veins



Midden among recently
fallen leaves



Midden on bare ground

Thick, healthy leaf litter for comparison:



West Virginia White and Cabbage White Butterflies Compared:



Black tips or black dots may be very light or missing

