Phaon Crescent

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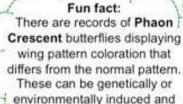
Phyciodes phaon



Matchweed

Host Plants

Phyla nodiflora



are called aberrations.







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Biology

The **Phaon Crescent** is a small butterfly, with a wingspan of about one inch. It is commonly found in upland habitats, pastures, and moist open areas throughout the United States, as far north as lowa and Nebraska. Females lay clusters of greenish eggs on the underside of leaves. The gregarious larvae make silk nests, bear sharp short spines and vary in color from olive green to brown with light and dark bands. The **Phaon Crescent** is chemically protected by iridoid glycosides. Its bright colors, deliberately slow flight and display behavior are meant to instill in predators the unpleasant memories to instill in predators the unpleasant memories



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