# **Butterfly Spirit Guide & Symbolism**

Have you stopped dancing? Do you need help transitioning from one stage of life to the next? Are you trying to connect with the wisdom of your ancestors? Do you want to be more sensitive to your surroundings? Butterfly, as a Spirit, Totem, and Power Animal, can help! The Butterfly teaches you how to ease your way through change creatively, all while celebrating your life! Delve deeply into Butterfly symbolism and meaning to discover how this Animal Spirit Guide can stir, enthuse, and inspire you.

As a **Spirit Animal Guide**, Butterfly whispers of your hidden potential. There's an old saying that there is nothing in a caterpillar that knows it will be a Butterfly. Nonetheless, the transformation from caterpillar to winged wonder happens quite naturally. Bear in mind that change is natural. Adaptation is necessary. Both lead to higher awareness.





#### What Does a Dead Butterfly Mean?

There can be a negative connotation that associates with seeing a dead butterfly, it may also hold important meaning for you.

Some possible interpretations of seeing a dead butterfly include the following:

- · A transition or phase has come to an end.
- You may be experiencing feelings of grief or loss.
- It could be a bad omen, signifying that something bad or unwanted is about to come into your life.
- You may be feeling stuck or unmotivated, and seeing a dead butterfly could be a call for you to take action and move forward.
- You may need to let go of some beliefs or outdated ideas that no longer serve you.
- Bad luck or misfortune may be looming, so it is important to take extra care and practice mindfulness in your daily life.
- The good news is that seeing a dead butterfly may also be a sign that you are shedding old ways of thinking and negative emotions for a better life.

Colors have a profound impact on our lives. You pick out a red "power tie" for a presentation. Or perhaps you paint your kitchen a happy yellow. The symbolism and meanings behind wing colors give a greater definition to Butterfly Spirit as it wings through your life.

# **Butterfly Symbolism**

#### Black Butterfly

The Black Butterfly acts as a warning of hard times ahead. They may be emotionally taxing. But, Black Butterfly isn't all gloom and doom. Remember, it's always darkest before the dawn.

#### **Blue Butterfly**



Blue Butterflies are very scarce. Seeing one ensures joy and good fortune. Other meanings for blue Butterfly are nobility and honor.

#### **Brown Butterfly**



Brown Butterfly puts you on notice. An important message is arriving and you will need to take speedy action. The brown Butterfly may also be the soul of someone who loves you, dropping by with guidance.

#### **Green Butterfly**



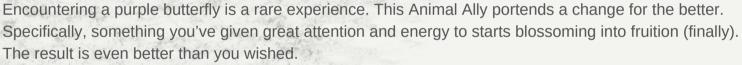
Having a green Butterfly enter your home or business is a sign of prosperity. Money is soon to follow, along with success in a business endeavor. In China, the green Butterfly represents love.

#### **Orange Butterfly**



What is your passion? Seeing an orange Butterfly is a harbinger of positive results. Stay focused and keep moving forward.

#### **Purple Butterfly**



#### **Red Butterfly**



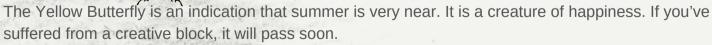
In England and Scotland, red butterflies are actually witches or a witch's soul. It comes with a message of danger. Keep on the lookout for oddities. If you feel something's off, veer clear.

#### **White Butterfly**



The White Butterfly may be a guardian angel taking watch over you. Your Animal Helper also brings luck.

#### **Yellow Butterfly**





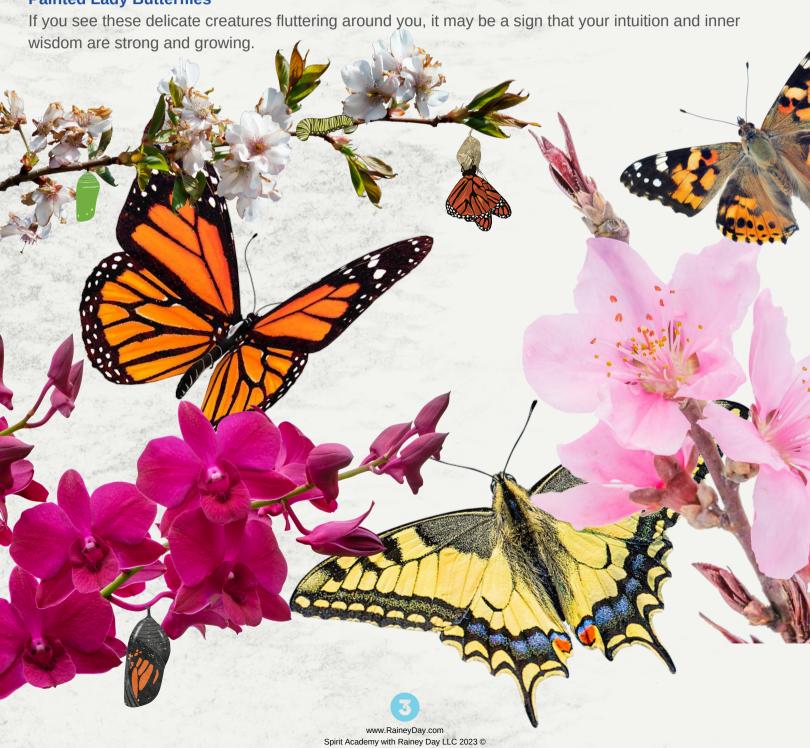
# Butterfly Symbolism Continued Monarch Butterflies

These iconic creatures have associations with transformation, change, and guiding you on the right track. Making them a symbol of hope and optimism in times of transition or uncertainty.

#### **Swallowtail Butterflies**

With their bold colors and patterns, swallowtail butterflies are a sign of good fortune and prosperity. They can also be an omen that your positive intentions will be a reward.

#### **Painted Lady Butterflies**



## **Butterfly Symbolic Meanings Key**



- Air Element
- Clairvoyance
- Cycles & Growth
- Grace
- Joy & Happy Relationships
- Movement & Manifestation
- Perspectives
- Renewal
- The Soul
- Transformation



If you are seeing butterflies often or feel drawn to them in any way, it could be a positive sign that you need to embrace change in your life.

If you find yourself seeing butterflies often, try to take some time to reflect on what this experience might mean for you.

Rather than simply seeing it as an auspicious omen, try to tap into any messages or guidance that the universe might be trying to send your way.

For many people, seeing a butterfly is seen as a spiritual awakening that holds deep significance.

Your spirit guides will lead you to the path of least resistance and the bigger picture in your life.

At the heart of this spiritual transformation is the theme of renewal and rebirth.

Often associated with transitions and changes in our lives, which makes them powerful butterfly symbols of spiritual growth and development.

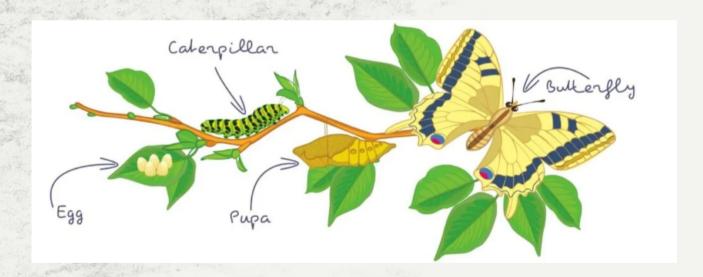


# Things you can do to increase butterflies that cross your path, try some of these tips:

Create an intentional space for seeing butterflies. This could be a butterfly garden with plants and flowers that are known to attract these beautiful creatures, or simply setting aside a corner of your backyard where you place out food and water for them when they visit.

Get outside early in the morning or later in the evening when temperatures are cooler, and butterflies are more likely to be active.

Grow nectar-rich flowers in the spring and summer months to encourage them to come around your Sacred Garden.



The life cycle of Caterpillar symbolizes times when you're dealing with potential and transformation.

Caterpillar's cocoon stage takes it into a new and glorious life.







#### THE PHASES OF HUMAN METAMORPHOSIS

#### **DISSOLVING (AKA DEATH & REBIRTH)**

#### Live One Day (or 10 minutes) at a Time

Instead of dwelling on hopes and fears about an unknowable future, focus your attention on whatever is happening right now.

#### "Cocoon" by Caring For Yourself in Physical, Immediate Ways

Wrap yourself in a blanket, make yourself a cup of hot tea, attend an exercise class, whatever feels comforting.

#### Talk to Others Who Have Gone Through a Metamorphosis

If you don't have a wise relative or friend, a therapist can be a source of reassurance.

#### Let Yourself Grieve

Even if you are leaving an unpleasant situation (a bad marriage, a job you didn't like), you'll probably go through the normal human response to any loss: the emotional roller coaster called the grieving process. You'll cycle through denial, anger, sadness, and acceptance many times. Just experiencing these feelings will help them pass more quickly.



Dissolving isn't something you do; it's something that happens to you. The closest you'll come to controlling it is relaxing and trusting the process.

### "I don't know what the hell is going on...and that's okay."

#### WHAT TO DO WHILE THINGS GO WRONG

#### **Expect Things To Go Wrong**

Many of my clients have an early failure and consider this a sign that "it just wasn't meant to be." This is a useful philosophy if you want to spend your life as person soup. To become all that you can be, you must keep working toward your dreams even when your initial efforts are unsuccessful.

#### **Be Willing to Start Over**

Every time your plans fail, you'll briefly return to Phase 1, feeling lost and confused. This is an opportunity to release some of the illusions that created hitches in your plan.

#### **Persist**

Keep debugging and reimplementing your new-and-improved plans until they work. If you've followed all the steps, they eventually will.



#### THE PHASES OF HUMAN METAMORPHOSIS



#### What to Do

The following strategies—which can help you optimize this delightful situation—are about fine-tuning, not drastic transformation.

#### **Enjoy!**

You've just negotiated a scary and dramatic transformation, and you deserve to savor your new identity. Spend time every day focusing on gratitude for your success.

#### **Make Small Improvements**

Find little ways to make your new life a bit less stressful, a bit more pleasurable.

#### **Know That Another Change is Just Around the Bend**

There's no way to predict how long you'll stay this Phase; maybe days, maybe decades. Don't attribute your happiness to your new identity; security lies in knowing how to deal with metamorphosis, whenever it occurs.

# "Everything is changing... and that's okay."

Be content where you are!

When we embrace and engage completely in our current stage of development, we will grow more efficiently, give up less often and find more satisfaction in the entire process.

Keep Shining Your Own Light, Rainey



Just when the caterpillar thought the world was over, it became a butterfly.