

Forest Brown (*Argynnis cyrila*)



Forest Brown. Photo: [Mononymous/iNaturalist](#)

Other Common Names: Cyril's Brown.

Family of Butterflies: *Nymphalidae* (Browns and Nymphs).

Size: Wingspan 35mm.

Local Records: There is a single 2017 record of this species in our region from Wombat Forest near Lyonville. In 2022 there were further records from this area.

Distribution outside our region: In Victoria most records are from the Yarra Valley and nearby ranges. There are other records from the Grampians, the far south-west, Lerderberg-Wombat Forests and the far east. Outside Victoria records are mainly from the ACT and south-east NSW.

Larval Host Plants: *Poa* spp. and Wiregrass, *Tetrarrhena juncea*.

Larval association with ants: None

Adult Flight Times in Victoria: Most records are from October-November with a few records as late as January.

Conservation Status:

[The Action plan for Australian Butterflies](#): Vulnerable in Australia
[Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999](#): Not listed
[Flora and Fauna Guarantee Act 1988 – Threatened List 2021](#): Not Listed

Other Notes: In our region this species is only likely to be seen in the higher and wetter southern areas.

References:

Atlas of Living Australia – [Argynnis cyrila](#), Cyril's Brown.

iNaturalist Australia – [Argynnis cyrila](#), Cyril's Brown.