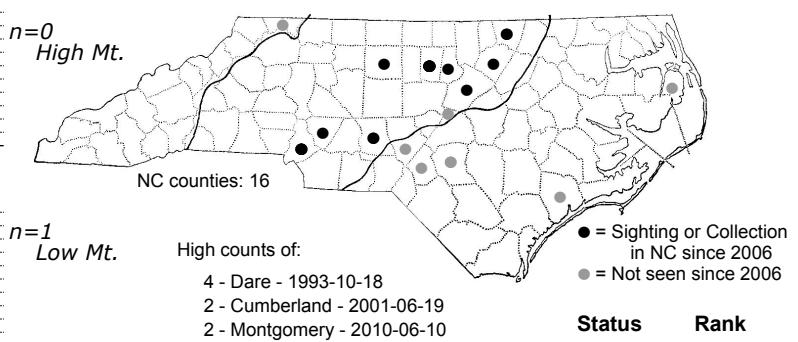
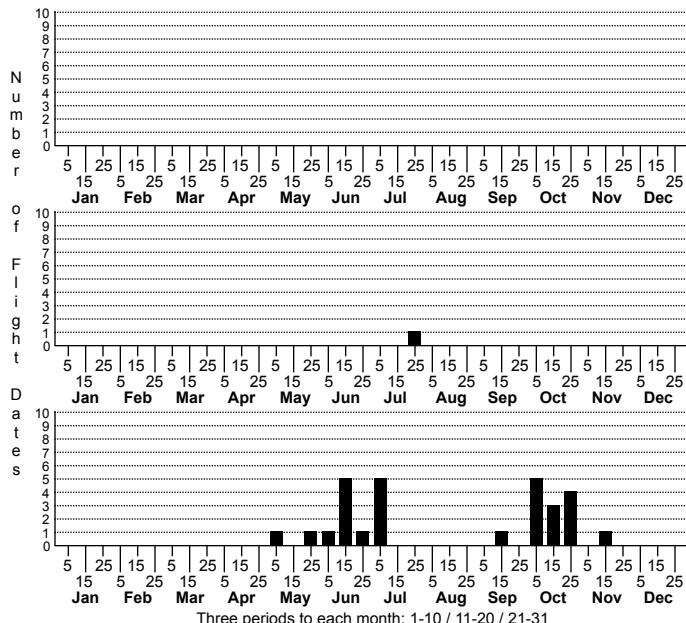


Abagrotis magnicupida One-dotted Dart



Status	Rank		
NC	US	NC	Global

n=12
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FAMILY: Noctuidae SUBFAMILY: Noctuinae TRIBE: Noctuini
TAXONOMIC COMMENTS:

FIELD GUIDE DESCRIPTIONS:

ONLINE PHOTOS:

TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION, ADULTS:

TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION, IMMATURE STAGES:

ID COMMENTS: The ground color is typically a brick red. The spots and lines are usually poorly marked but there is a conspicuous black patch located on the costa just before the subterminal line; a black spot may also occur in the lower part of the reniform. The labial palpus is black on the sides (Lafontaine, 1998).

DISTRIBUTION: Please refer to the dot map.

FLIGHT COMMENT: Please refer to the flight charts.

HABITAT: Our records come from a wide variety of habitats, ranging from the barrier islands to montane river valleys. Both open, herb-dominated habitats and closed-canopy forests are used, as are both nutrient-rich and nutrient-poor habitats.

FOOD: Lafontaine (1998) listed Choke Cherry (*Prunus virginiana*) as a host. However, Wagner et al. (2011) stated that larvae are polyphagous, feeding on many species of both herbaceous and woody plants. Shropshire and Tallamy (2025) specifically list asters, *Cichorium*, *Digitaria*, *Erigeron*, *Malus*, *Prunus*, *Taraxacum*, and *Vitis*. We do not have any feeding records in North Carolina.

OBSERVATION METHODS:

NATURAL HERITAGE PROGRAM RANKS: G5 SNR [S3S4]

STATE PROTECTION: Has no legal protection, although permits are required to collect it on state parks and other public lands.

COMMENTS: