

FIELD GUIDE DESCRIPTIONS: ONLINE PHOTOS: TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION, ADULTS: Munroe (1976) TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION, IMMATURE STAGES:

ID COMMENTS: This species can be distinguished from our other <i>Anania</i> species by the straw-yellow color, a finely toothed postmedial line on the forewing, and a diffuse antemedial band on the hindwing. The following is based mostly on the original description by Munroe (1976). The head, body and wings are shining straw yellow, with the latter lacking appreciable fuscous dusting. The antemedial and postmedial lines are light brown to orangish-brown, narrow, and equally distinct. The postmedial line in finely toothed and bowed outward on the costal two-thirds, with a tendency to be more broadly wavy on the remaining third. A thin, light brown to orangish-brown terminal line is often evident, and the fringe is concolorous with the forewing.

The hindwing is similar to the forewing in terms of coloration and patterning. There is an oblique, diffuse, orangish-brown antemedial band across the median field of wing that tends to be obsolete on both ends. A thin, light brown to orangish-brown terminal line is often evident, and the fringe is concolorous with the forewing.

DISTRIBUTION: <i>Anania leuschneri</i> appears to be restricted to the southeastern Coastal Plain from New Jersey southward to central Florida and westward to the Florida Panhandle. As of 2023, all of our records are from the Sandhills and coastal forests.

FLIGHT COMMENT: The flight season is poorly documented except in Florida where the adults fly from March through November. As of 2023, we have records from mid-April to late-August.

HABITAT: This species is generally associated with sandy, coastal forests.

FOOD: The host plants appear to be undocumented (Munroe, 1976).

OBSERVATION_METHODS: The adults are attracted to lights.

NATURAL HERITAGE PROGRAM RANKS: GNR [S2S3]

STATE PROTECTION:

COMMENTS: This species