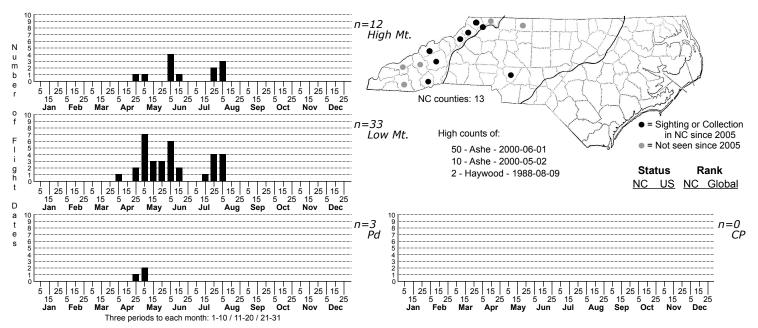
Plagodis kuetzingi Purple Plagodis



FAMILY: Geometridae SUBFAMILY: Ennominae TRIBE: Anagogini TAXONOMIC COMMENTS:

FIELD GUIDE DESCRIPTIONS: Covell (1984); Beadle and Leckie (2012)

ONLINE PHOTOS:

TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION, ADULTS:

TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION, IMMATURE STAGES:

ID COMMENTS: This species is strongly two-toned, with the basal half of the forewing luteous, shaded with yellow-brown, and the outer half violet-gray (Forbes, 1948). The antemedian is obscure except for a dash located at the costal end. The dark postmedian fades out before reaching the costa (Forbes, 1948, as nigrescaria).

DISTRIBUTION: Please refer to the dot map.

FLIGHT COMMENT: Please refer to the flight charts.

HABITAT:

FOOD: Larvae reportedly feed on ash (<i>Fraxinus</i>) (Wagner et al., 2001).

OBSERVATION_METHODS:

NATURAL HERITAGE PROGRAM RANKS: G5 SNR [S1S3]

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

COMMENTS: This species is likely to decline due to the destruction of ash forests by the Emerald Ash Borer