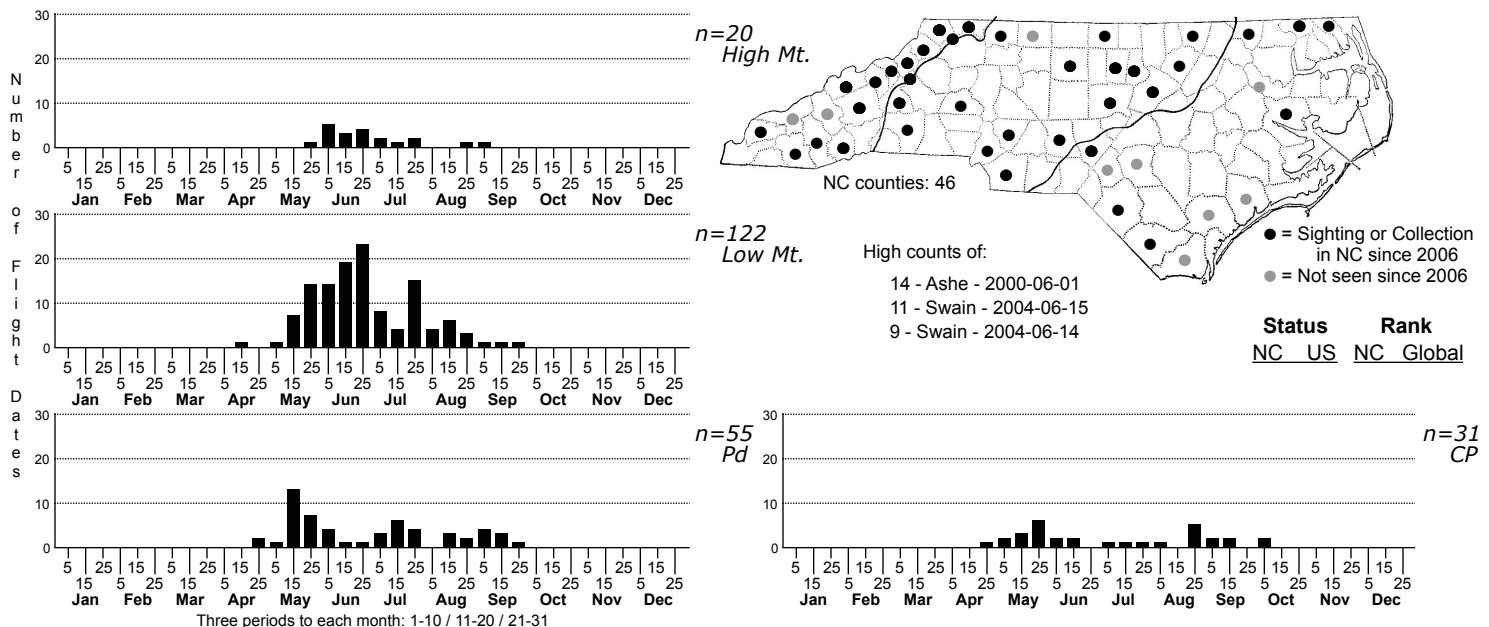


Eubaphe mendica Beggar Moth



FAMILY: Geometridae SUBFAMILY: Larentiinae TRIBE: Eudulini

TAXONOMIC COMMENTS:

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

ONLINE PHOTOS:

TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION, ADULTS:

TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION, IMMATURE STAGES:

ID COMMENTS: Pale yellow with two rows of dark spots plus one submarginal spot located along the middle of the outer margin (Forbes, 1948). The spot in the cell is elongated and the outer band is typically fairly wide.

DISTRIBUTION: Please refer to the dot map.

FLIGHT COMMENT: Please refer to the flight charts.

HABITAT: Our records come almost entirely from wet-mesic hardwood forests, ranging from bottomland and mesic hardwoods in the Coastal Plain and Piedmont to cove forests and northern hardwoods in the mountains. Very few come from open habitats and even those have hardwoods close by. Virtually none come from dry-xeric habitats.

FOOD: Larvae feed on violets (Wagner, 2005) but according to Forbes (1948, citing McDunnough) they also feed on maple. We do not have any feeding records in North Carolina.

OBSERVATION METHODS:

NATURAL HERITAGE PROGRAM RANKS: G5 SNR [S4S5]

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

COMMENTS: