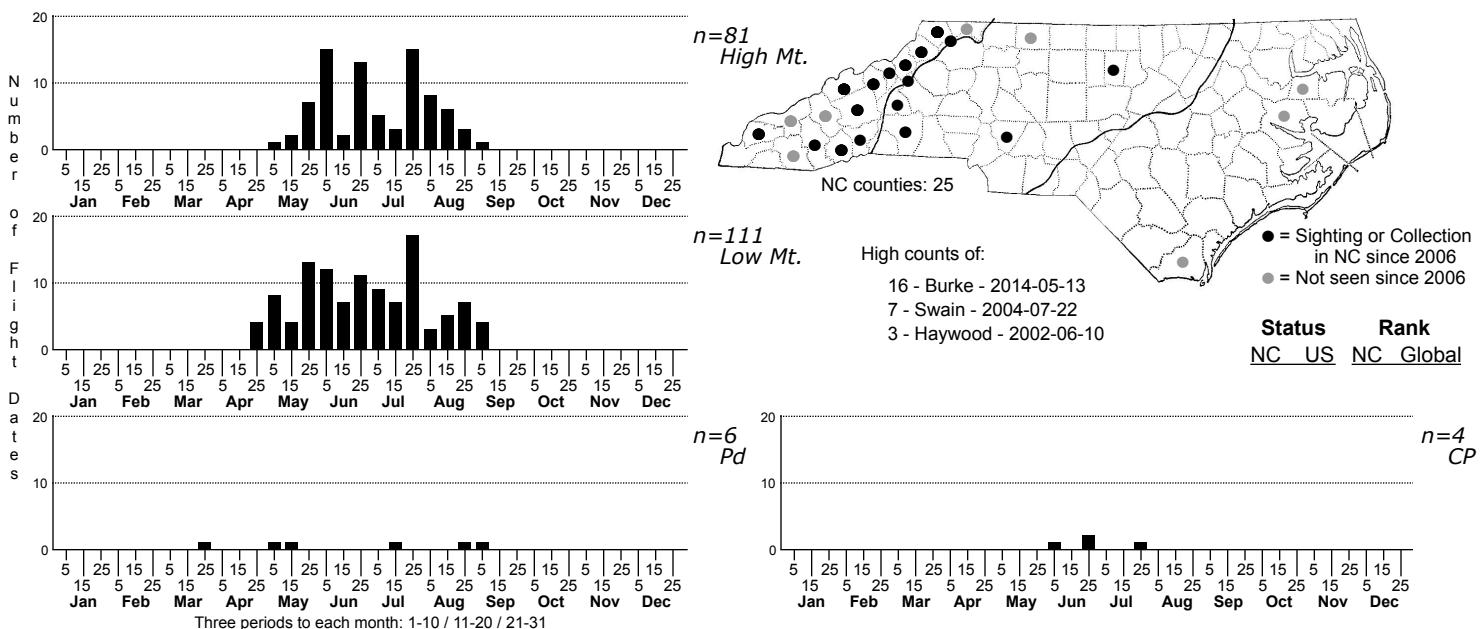


Euplexia benesimilis American Angle Shades



FAMILY: Noctuidae SUBFAMILY: Noctuinae TRIBE: Phlogophorini
TAXONOMIC COMMENTS:

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

ONLINE PHOTOS:

TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION, ADULTS:

TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION, IMMATURE STAGES:

ID COMMENTS:

DISTRIBUTION: Please refer to the dot map.

FLIGHT COMMENT: Please refer to the flight charts.

HABITAT: Wagner et al. (2011) list woodlands and forests as habitats used by this species. The vast majority of our records come from the Mountains, where it occurs in high elevation forests, mountain bogs, riparian areas, and cove forests. Our few records from the Piedmont and Coastal Plain come from sites close to lakes and ponds.

FOOD: Larvae feed mainly on ferns, but they have also been reported from a wide range of plants including alders, willows, asters, huckleberries, trilliums, and sunflowers (Wagner et al., 2011). In North Carolina, a larva has been recorded on Intermediate Wood-fern (<i>Dryopteris intermedia</i>).

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: