

LeConte's haploa

Haploa lecontei

Kingdom: Animalia
Phylum: Arthropoda
Class: Insecta
Order: Lepidoptera
Family: Erebidae

ILLINOIS STATUS

common, native

FEATURES

Coloration is variable in this moth species but generally shows white with black borders on the forewing. Black lines may be present, but some individuals are mostly white. The black lines may or may not be continuous to the edge of the wing. The pattern is sometimes described as an upside-down "y" shape. It is a broad-winged moth with a wingspan of from slightly under one and one-half inches to two inches.

BEHAVIORS

This species is frequently seen around trees and shrubs in woodlands, especially around fruit trees. The larvae feed on these woody plants as well as some nonwoody plants. The species overwinters in the larval stage. Adults are active in summer.

ILLINOIS RANGE





Aquatic Habitats

bottomland forests

Woodland Habitats

bottomland forests; southern Illinois lowlands; upland deciduous forests

Prairie and Edge Habitats

edge