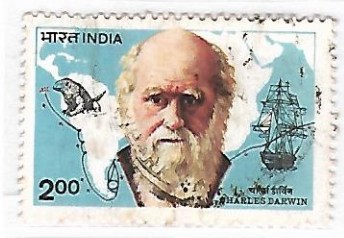


# THE FLUTTERING RAINBOW

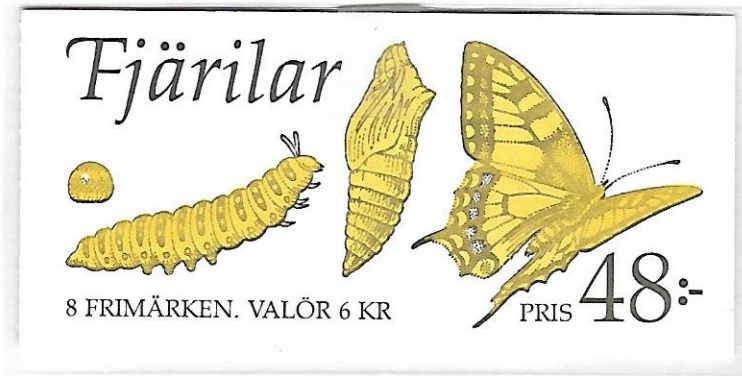
Butterflies in their breath taking radiant colours, bold design and fluttering flights are some of the most beautiful sights in nature. they are environmentally useful and they provide a fascinating subject for study and observation.

Butterflies and Moths belong to the order Lepidoptera under the class insecta which is one of the largest class of the animal kingdom. butterflies, with more than 65,000 species identified to date ranging from equator to the polar region.



STUDY OF BUTTERFLY - Charles Darwin (1809-1882) for the first time discovered the connection between a flower and an insect-pollination.

THE LIFE CYCLE OF BUTTERFLY - There are four stages in the life cycle of a butterfly: egg, larva, pupa & adult.



HABITATS - Butterflies are found in variety of habitats like garden, hedgerows, meadows, chalk downs, woodland, health and bogs.

## FAMILIES OF BUTTERFLIES



Hesperiidae · Lycaenidae · Nymphalidae · Papilionidae · Pieridae · Riodinidae

PREDATORS - Butterflies are pursued by birds which, they elude by their erratic and dodging flight. but some birds, such as fly catchers and bee eaters are very fond of catching them.



CONSERVATION -The rapid expansion of the worlds` s industrialization in modern times has reduced the amount of natural vegetation available for butterflies. the continuing reduction in the natural vegetation led to considerable reduction in the number of butterflies .

SAVE NATURAL VEGETATION AND SAVE BUTTERFLY