

Miami Blue Chapter Pinecrest/Loop Road Counts for 2026

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	T-1		T-2							
	Loop Road East	Loop Road West **	Oasis Visitors Center	C Butcher - Outside Gate	C Butcher - Inside Gate *	Midway Campground	Jetport Rd *	Nighthawk Field	L 28 Canal	
Swallowtails: (papilionidae)										
Black Swallowtail	2									2
Giant Swallowtail	1									1
Palamedes Swallowtail	20		13			1		2		36

Whites and Sulphurs: (<i>pieridae</i>)										
Cloudless Sulphur			1							1
Orange-barred Sulphur			1							1
Large Orange Sulphur	27		14							41
Barred Yellow			11			1		1		13
Little Yellow	1									1
Dainty Sulphur	1		1			4				6

Hairstreaks: (<i>lycaenidae</i>)										
Gray Hairstreak	1		1							2
Martial Scrub-Hairstreak						1				1
Mallow Scrub-Hairstreak			1							1
Fulvous Hairstreak						1				1

Blues: (<i>lycaenidae</i>)										
Cassius Blue	4							1		5
Ceraunus Blue						1				1

Metalmark: (<i>riodinidae</i>)										
Little Metalmark			1							1

Heliconians: (<i>nymphalidae</i> - brushfoots)										
Gulf Fritillary	43		49			16		7	2	117
Julia Heliconian	7							1		8
Zebra Heliconian	20		7	3		8			2	40
Varigated Fritillary			3							3

Crescents: (<i>nymphalidae</i> - brushfoots)										
Phaon Crescent	18		52			11		4		85
Pearl Crescent			7			9				16

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Ladies: (nymphalidae - brushfoots)										
Red Admiral	1			1						2
Buckeyes and Peacock: (nymphalidae - brushfoots)										
Common Buckeye	4		16			1		2		23
White Peacock	88		12	11		9		3	9	132
Malachite and Viceroy: (nymphalidae - brushfoots)										
Viceroy	11									11
Monarchs: (nymphalidae - milkweed butterflies)										
Queen									2	2
Soldier									5	5
Spread-wing Skippers: (hesperiidae)										
Tropical Checkered-Skipper			5							5
Grass Skippers: (hesperiidae)										
Three-Spotted Skipper	1									1
Fiery Skipper			1			1				2
Delaware Skipper	1									1
Palatka Skipper	1		5							6
Twin-spot Skipper	1		54	1		7				63
Brazilian Skipper	3									3
Ocola Skipper	5		2						1	8
Unidentified:										
Checkered-Skipper Species			1							1
Blue Species			1							1
Buckeye Species			2							2
Hairstreak Species			1							1
Other (skipper species)			1							1
Immatures:										
Brazilian Skipper cats	1			6						7
Common Buckeye cats	3									3
Totals:										
Individuals	261	0	263	16	0	71	0	21	21	653
Species	22		21	4		14		8	6	
Total Unique Species										36

Pinecrest (Tri-Co.), FL. Yr. 24, 25.7553°, -80.9256°, center at radio tower 6.5 mi W of the U.S. 41 Forty-Mile Bend on Loop Rd., Monroe Co., near Pinecrest. See 2003 report for habitats.

18 July 2026; 0900 - 1530 hrs; sun AM 85%, PM 75%; 82-92°F; wind 0.5 mi/hr. 9 observers in 2 parties.

Total party-hours: 10.5 hrs; **total party-miles on foot:** 5.25 miles

Observers: **T-1**, L. Evans, A. Grimm, M.R. Jackson; **T-2**, D. Olle, L. Golden, A. Skowronski, M. Campos, S. Rolle, R. Menendez;

Field Notes: Intense Mosquitos at most locations, heavy mowing of mounds at Midway Campgrounds; unable to access Jetport Rd.; Brazilian cats on alligatorflag. *Thalia geniculata*; Common Buckeye cat on False foxglove, *Agalinas* sp.