

Red Spotted Purple

I've always thought that these beautiful butterflies had a bit of a misnomer. I admire their beautiful black and blue shades and their orange spots, but these colors seem to be a bit off from those in their name.

Red spotted purples tend not to hang out with the rest of the garden butterflies---they are more often found on the driveway gravel or in low shady bushes nearby.

These adult butterflies only live for a week or two.

