

Mission Blue Butterfly



The mission blue butterfly flits and flutters, looking for just the right flower in which to lay its eggs. In a few weeks, these eggs hatch into caterpillars. Sometimes, these caterpillars are guarded by ants that protect them from enemies, like flies and other insects. The caterpillars “pay” the ants back by giving off a sweet, gooey liquid that the ants like to eat.

In what states is the mission blue butterfly found?

