White-Banded Swallowtail
*Papilio echerioides*

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Chrysalid
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**Order:** Lepidoptera  
**Family:** Papilionidae

**Wingspan:** 3.5 – 4 inches (87 – 101 mm)

**Habitat:** The White-Banded Swallowtails are usually found in thick forested areas but they often visit open areas in search of nectar plants.

**Host Plant:** The larvae feed on a variety of plants in the family Rutaceae such as *Clausena*, *Toddalia* and *Fagara*.

**Adult Food Source:** Adults are known to nectar from a variety of flowers.

**Life History:** Not being extremely strong fliers the adults can usually be found in the vicinity of their host plants. Males patrol for receptive females in the forested areas. Once a female has mated she then searches for a host plant to lay her eggs on. The larvae feed on the host plant until they form their chrysalis.

**Flights:** Information on the number and timing of the broods in the wild is currently unavailable.

**Fun Facts:** The White-Banded Swallowtail, Zoroaster Swallowtail (*Papilio zoroastres*) and the Jackson’s Swallowtail (*Papilio jacksoni*) are three different species of butterflies found in Malaysia which almost look identical in both the female and male forms.

**Range:**