

SALAMIS DUPREI

Availability: 14

Species: Nymphalidae

Common name: the Malagasy mother-of-pearl

Country: Madagascar

Location: Ambalavao Madagascar

Quality: A1 to A1- unless specified otherwise in options

Status: Common

Gender Available: M/F

Setting: PAPERED

Price: £5.20

Description

The Salamis butterfly, scientifically known as *Salamis*, is a genus of butterflies belonging to the family Nymphalidae. These butterflies are known for their striking and often iridescent colours.

Salamis butterflies are typically large and have distinctive wing patterns. Some species also have prominent spots or patterns.

They are found in various parts of Africa, particularly in sub-Saharan regions.

Salamis butterflies are adaptable and can be found in a wide range of habitats, including forests, savannas, grasslands, and even urban areas. Some species are associated with specific types of vegetation. Like many butterflies, *Salamis* butterflies are known to be strong and agile flyers. They are often seen feeding on nectar from flowering plants. The caterpillars of *Salamis* butterflies are usually well-camouflaged and feed on the leaves of specific host plants, which can vary depending on the species.

While not all species exhibit mimicry, some *Salamis* butterflies have evolved mimicry as a defense mechanism. They may resemble other, often unpalatable, butterfly species to deter predators.

We firmly support the sustainable tropical butterfly collections as long as they take care of the conservation of the rainforest where they fly and the development of responsible conscious trading. This allows us to support local ranching farms with ethically sourced material and help at the same time collectors and enthusiasts to contribute to understanding and treasuring those species.

Please take into consideration that the specimen that you will receive may slightly differ in size, shape or colour from the picture shown as you are purchasing a natural product.

ABOUT THE ITEM

All our items are carefully delivered to prevent damages on transport, papered items are packaged in glassine envelopes specifying capture/breeding data and location available. CITES certificate will be provided in the specimens required.

HOW WE GRADE OUR LISTINGS (SPECIMENS)

As Insect specimens are natural products, some are bred and some others caught in wild, the quality can vary greatly.

The guide below explains the grading used for specimens in our listings.

A1 No visible imperfections, both antennas, no tearing, scratches or missing part of the wings (or as perfect as you could expect from wild caught specimens), with exception of some leg damage.

A1- Very minor damage, normally restricted to antenna damage or antennae attached separately in the envelope.

A- These specimens have minor damage, such as antenna damage, or minor flight wear such as small scratches, minor sale damage, some minor fraying/chipping around the edges of the wings.

A2 More significant damage, such as major flight wear, small rips, small pieces missing from the wings, damage to the thorax or abdomen.

B or Second Grade These specimens have similar damage to A2 specimens, but to a more significant degree. Usually used as parts replacement or art work material

Specification

SPECIMEN	
Country	Madagascar

Locality	Ambalavao
Collection type	Ranched - Ex-pupae
Bio-zone	Afrotropical

Product Gallery

