

Atlas Moth *Atticus Wardi*

When to look:

Year-round. Adults prominent during the wet season (Jan-March)

Rusty-brown in colour with a double white band

Large white spot on each wing

White spherical eggs

Wing span: approx 17 cm

Similar species:

The Hercules Moth is similar in appearance and pattern, however its range is restricted to Far North Queensland and Papua New Guinea. The Hercules Moth can be distinguished by an extended tail on each hindwing and overall larger size.

Caterpillar with floppy spines

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