

**Choreutidae: *Brenthia pavonacella*,**  
larvae feed on woodland *Desmodium* spp.



***Brenthia pavonacella*** is the only representative of the genus in North America. The adults are diurnal, seldom fly, & more often are seen walking. The larvae feed on the underside of the leaflets of woodland *Desmodium* spp. & have the unusual habit of cutting a small "escape portal" hole through the host leaf. If disturbed, the larva very quickly disappears through the hole to the opposite side of the leaf.