

# Moths from Shetland & Ireland 2023

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A selection of interesting moths from a trip to Fetlar, Unst and Mainland in August 2023.

*Eugnorisma glareosa edda* Staud.  
**Autumnal Rustic**

- Virdins of Hamar, Mainland  
10<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> August 2023 at MV

*Xanthorhoe decoloraria hethlandica* Prout.  
**Red Carpet**

- Tresta Beach, Fetlar. 3.8.2023 at MV
- Semblister, Mainland. 7.8.2023 at MV
- + on right 2 Scottish mainland examples for comparison

*Eulithis populata* (Linn.)  
**Northern Spinach**

- Virdins of Hamar, Mainland.  
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*Xanthorhoe fluctuata thules* (Prout.)  
**Garden Carpet**

- Semblister, Mainland. 7.8.2023 at MV
- Spiggie Beach, Mainland. 13.8.2023 at actinic
- + on right 2 examples from southern England for comparison

*Standfussiana lucerneae* (Linn.)  
**Northern Rustic**

- Spiggie Beach, Mainland  
13.8.2023 at MV

*Apamea exulis* (Lef.)  
**The Exile**

- Semblister, Mainland  
7.8.2023 at MV
- Virdins of Hamar, Mainland  
10.8.2023 at MV

## IRELAND

Moths from the area north of Galway, around Loughs Corrib, Mask and Carra. Remnants of limestone pavement persist especially south of Lough Corrib – see map and photo.

*Globia algae* (Esp.)  
**Rush Wainscot**

- Corranellistrum, Oughterard,  
Co Galway. VC H16. 10.7.23 at MV

*Helotropha leucostigma* (Hübner.)  
**The Crescent**

- Moorehall/Muckloon, Lough Carra,  
East Mayo VC H26. 12.7.23 at MV

*Hypenodes humidalis* Doubl.  
**Marsh Oblique-barred**

- Corranellistrum, Oughterard,  
Co Galway. VC H16. 10.7.23 at MV

*Donacaula mucronella* ([D.&S.])  
**Northern Rustic**

- Moorehall/Muckloon, Lough Carra,  
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*Hydriomena furcata* (Thunb.)  
**July Highflyer**

- a striking form at actinic, 17.7.2023.
- Portumna, S.E. Galway, VC H15.

*Gnophos obfuscata* ([D.&S.])  
**Scotch Annulet**

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*Chiasmia clathrata hugginsi* (Baynes)  
**Latticed Heath**

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*Thera cognata* (Thunb.)  
**Chestnut-coloured Carpet**

- Corranellistrum, Oughterard,  
Co Galway. VC H16. 10.7.23 at MV

*Parapoynx stratiotata* (Linn.)

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Co Galway. VC H16. 10.7.23 at MV
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East Mayo VC H26. 12.7.23 at MV
- Many pale forms and occasional darker ones

*Pempeliella ornatella* ([D.&S.])

- 50+ taken 10<sup>th</sup> July & 25+ on 13<sup>th</sup> July at MV
- Corranellistrum, Oughterard, Co Galway.

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