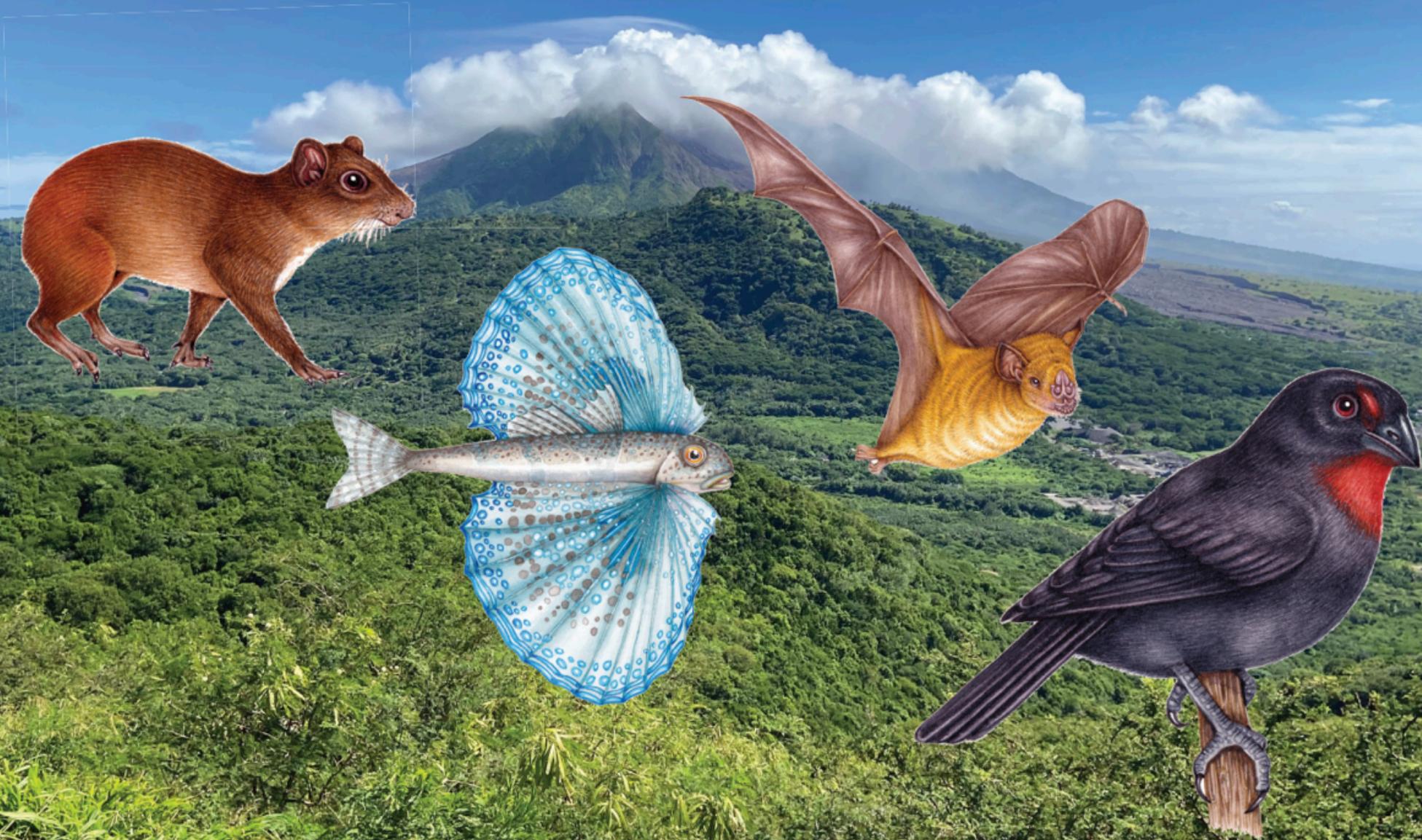


Montserrat's Biodiversity Rainbow Booklet



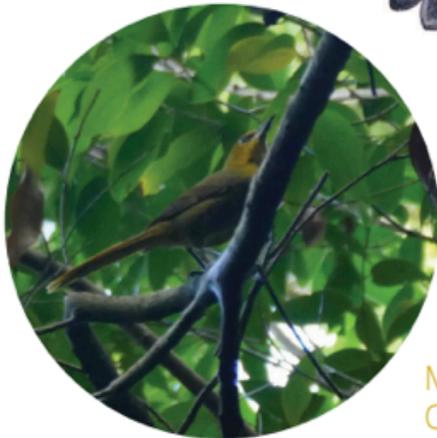
Yellow

Montserrat Orioles are Montserrat's national bird. They're **endemic** to Montserrat; this means they only live here.

Male Montserrat Orioles have yellow and black feathers. The females' colours blend into the forest more.



Montserrat Oriole male
Icterus oberi



Montserrat Oriole female
Icterus oberi



Bananaquits are more common than Montserrat Orioles, and also live in other countries.

Bananaquit
Coereba flaveola

Tetrio Sphinx
Tetrio sphinx



Some animals, like this **Tetrio Sphinx** moth caterpillar, use yellow to warn away predators.

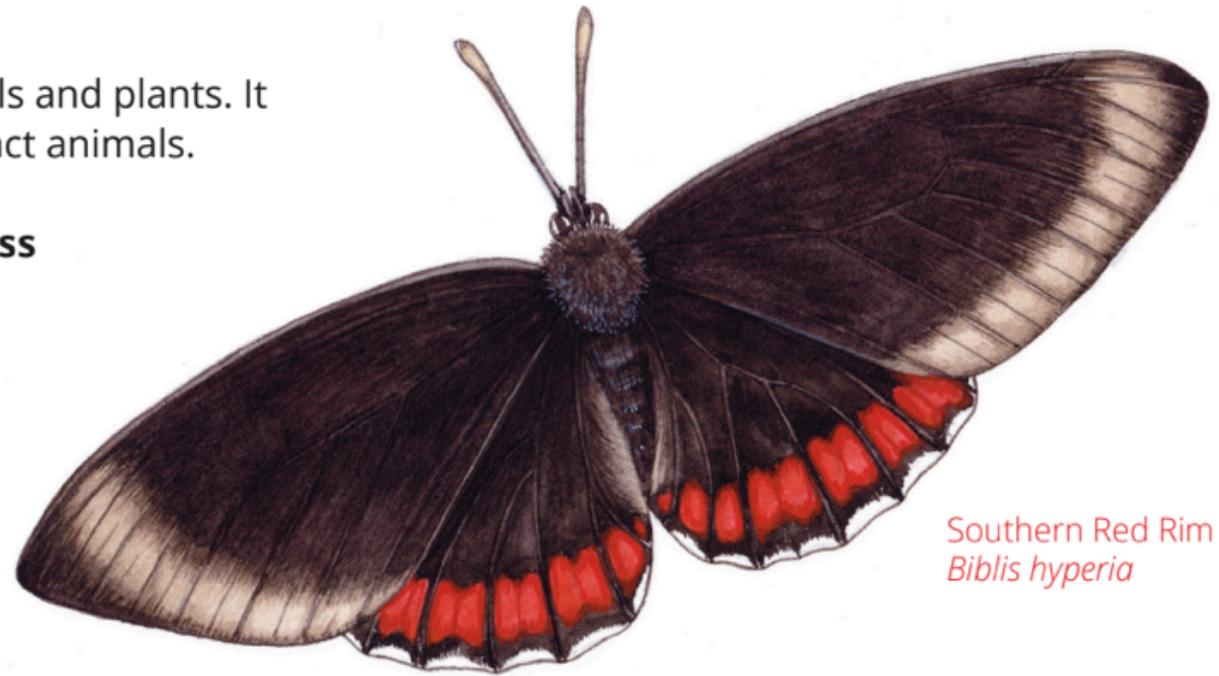
Red

Red is an important colour for animals and plants. It can signal danger, or be used to attract animals.

Some insects are red, like this **Spotless Ladybird**, to warn birds and other predators not to eat them.



Spotless Ladybird
Cycloneda sanguinea



Southern Red Rim
Biblis hyperia

The red and black seeds of this **Rosary Pea** are very poisonous.



Rosary Pea
Abrus precatorius

Blue

Watching and listening to the blue sea can help us relax, and the blue sky is beautiful. Some animals and plants in Montserrat are blue too.

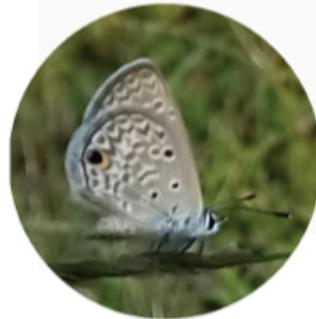


Montserrat Ameiva
Ameiva pluvianotata

Montserrat Ameivas only live in Montserrat. They're also called Ground Lizards.



Blue Vervain
Stachytarpheta jamaicensis



This butterfly is **Hanno Blue**. The undersides of its wings aren't as bright, so they're camouflaged from predators when they close their wings.



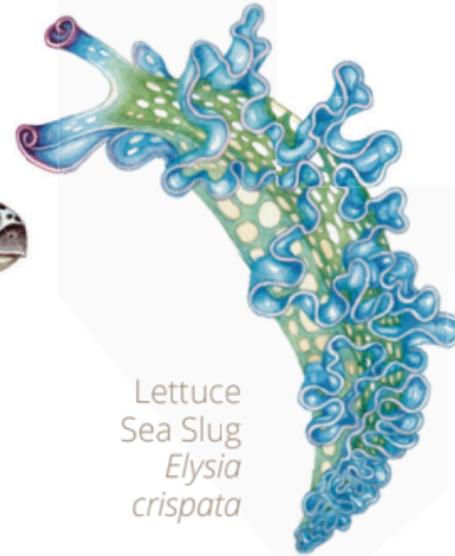
Hanno Blue
Hemiargus hanno

Patterns

As well as wonderful colours, Montserrat's animals have some amazing patterns:



Green Turtle
Chelonia mydas



Lettuce
Sea Slug
*Elysia
crispata*



Yellowline
Arrow Crab
*Stenorhyncus
seticornis*



Angerona
Hairstreak
*Electrostrymon
angerona*



Brain Coral
Diploria labyrinthiformis



Caribbean
Paper Wasp
Polistes crinitus

Lots of Montserrat's bees and wasps are different shades of orange.



Bottle Bee
Melipona lautipes

The **Bottle Bees** found on Montserrat may live nowhere else in the world. This one is feeding from a Tridax Daisy.



Caribbean Scoliid Wasp
Dielis dorsata



Jack Spaniard
Polistes crinitus

Caribbean Paper Wasps build their nests from chewed-up wood.



Aloe
Aloe vera

Bees and wasps are important pollinators. They're attracted to brightly coloured flowers, like this **Aloe**.