

# Hayhurst's Scallopwing

Hayhurst's Scallopwings are uncommon in Alabama, known from only a few locations in the eastern part of the state. They are multi-brooded, with at least a spring and summer flight. Weedy, disturbed areas that contain their host plant, Lamb's Quarters, comprise habitat; this includes agricultural fields. These small skippers perch low with wings open; often turned upside down under leaves. Flight is rapid, but usually short. They nectar from a variety of small flowers.

- Small for a spread-wing skipper
- Males are darker and have a distinct costal fold on dorsal forewings. Females have more brown scales, show more contrast, and appear lighter in color. They are very slightly smaller.
- Ventral wings are seldom seen.
- Maybe confused with Common Sootywing. Hayhurst's Scallopwings have fewer white markings; they have gold flecks that sootywings lack. The scalloped wings are diagnostic. The two species may fly together.



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# Hayhurst's Scallopwing

## Dorsal Male



Costal fold

Variable number of light dots in  
"wrist bracelet" and mid-wing

Checkered black and tan fringe

Dark brown-black ground color with  
darker concentric bands on both sets  
of wings

Flecked with tiny gold and silver  
scales

Scalloped wing margins\*

Hayhurst's Scallopwing *Staphylus hayhurstii*

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\* Reliable diagnostic markers

Wingspan: 1 - 1¼ inches (2.5 - 3.2 cm)

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## Dorsal Female



Variable number of light dots in  
“wrist bracelet” and mid-wing

Flecked with tiny gold and silver  
scales

Brown ground color with darker  
concentric bands on both sets of  
wings

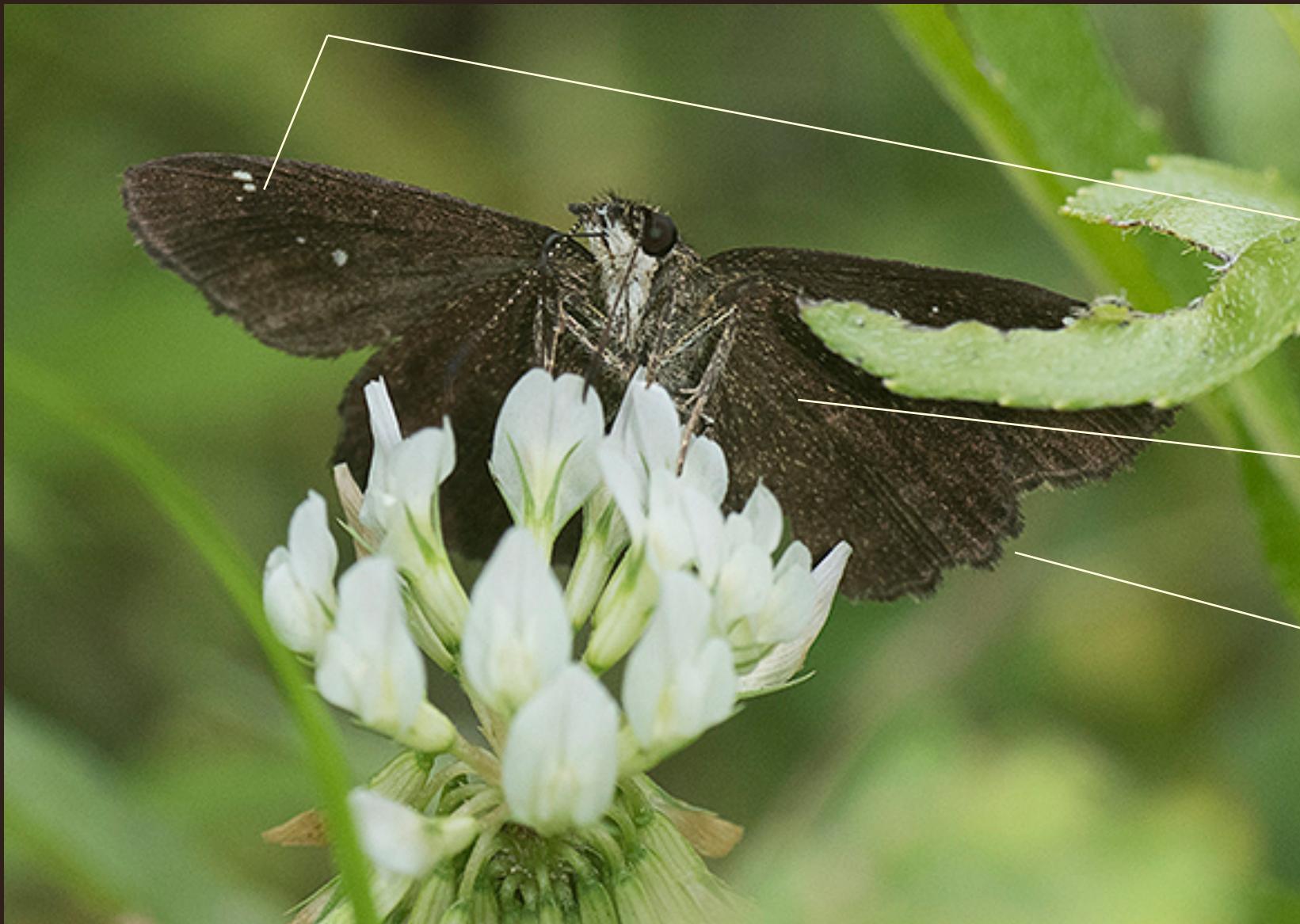
Scalloped wing margins\*

Hayhurst's Scallopwing *Staphylus hayhurstii*

Wingspan: 1 - 1 1/4 inches (2.5 - 3.2 cm)

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## Hayhurst's Scallopwing

### Ventral View

Variable number of light dots in  
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Dark brown ground color

Scalloped hindwing\*

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# Similar Species

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Common Sootywing



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