

# Reversed Roadside-Skipper

Reversed Roadside-Skippers are rare in Alabama, known only from a few sightings. They are multi-brooded, flying spring, summer, and fall. Their colonies are found in wetland areas that support cane species; typically, in pine savannas. Males perch to search for females, often in the cane patch. Both sexes nectar from nearby flowers.



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- Medium-sized roadside-skipper
- Sexes similar. Male has a stigma, but it is virtually invisible against the dark brown wing color.
- Worn individuals may be very difficult to identify.
- May be confused with Pepper and Salt Skippers and Bell's Roadside-Skippers. Reversed Roadside-Skippers lack the checkered wing fringe that is typical of Pepper and Salt Skippers and Bell's Roadside-Skippers.



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## Dorsal View



Wings dark brown

Pale spots

Pale wing fringe

Reversed Roadside-Skipper *Amblyscirtes reversa*

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\* Reliable diagnostic marker

Wingspan: 1 - 1½ inches (2.86 - 3.5 cm)

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## Ventral View



Light rusty brown

Pale spots arranged in two loose bands

Yellowish veins

Pale, uncheckered fringe

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# Similar Species

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Pepper and Salt Skipper



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Bell's Roadside Skipper



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