

Genus *Carcharodus* Hübner, [1819] Mallow Skippers

In Hübner, [1816-[1826]. *Verzeichniss bekannter Schmettlinge*: 110 (432 + 72 pp.). Augsburg.
Type-species: *Papilio alceae* Esper, by subsequent designation (Opinion 181, 1947. *Opinions and Declarations Rendered by the International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature* 2: 589-612.).

= *Spilothyrus* Duponchel, 1835 *in* Godart, 1832-5. *Supplément à l'Histoire Naturelle des Lépidoptères ou Papillons de France* 1 *Diurnes*: 415 (440 pp.). Paris. Type-species: *Papilio alceae* Esper, by subsequent designation (Opinion 181, 1947. *Opinions and Declarations Rendered by the International Commission on Zoological Nomenclature* 2: 589-612.).

Synonyms based on extralimital type-species: *Reverdinus* Ragusa, *Lavatheria* Verity.

The genus *Carcharodus* (**Mallow Skippers**) belongs to the Family Hesperidae Latreille, 1809; Subfamily Pyrginae Burmeister, 1878; Tribe Carcharodini Verity, 1940. Other genera of the Tribe Carcharodini in the Afrotropical Region are *Gomalia* and *Spialia*.

Carcharodus is a predominantly Palaearctic genus of eight species. A subspecies of one of these eight species enters the southern Arabian Peninsula.

**Carcharodus alceae* (Esper, [1780]) Mallow Skipper

Papilio alceae Esper, [1780] *in* Esper, [1776-1830]. *Die Schmetterlinge in Abbildungen nach der Natur mit Beschreibungen* 1 *Europäische Gattungen [Tagsschmetterlinge]*: 4 (388 + 190 + 120 + 48 pp.). Erlangen.



Carcharodus alceae alceae. Male. Left – upperside; right – underside.
Belgium. July 2016. JG. ABRI-2019-2268.
Images M.C. Williams ex ABRI Collection.



Carcharodus alceae alceae. Female. Left – upperside; right – underside.
Belgium. July 2015. JG. ABRI-2019-2269.
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Type locality: ?

Distribution: Southern Europe, North Africa, Middle East, Iraq, Iran, Afghanistan, Baluchistan, India (north).

Early stages: Nothing published.

Larval food:

Euphorbiaceae [Benyamini, 2005].

Carcharodus alceae wissmanni Warnecke, 1934
Yemen Mallow Skipper

Carcharodus swinhoei wissmanni Warnecke, 1934. *Mitteilungen der Münchner Entomologischen Gesellschaft* **24**: 20 (19-20).



Carcharodus alceae wissmanni. Male. Left – upperside; right – underside.
Mount Hermon, Israel. May 2018. SC, BB, OTG. ABRI-2019-2270.
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Type locality: Yemen: “Wadi Hadramaut”.

Distribution: Yemen.

Specific localities:

Yemen – Wadi Hadramaut (TL).