

Phigalia



15 mm



Heath Ochre upper side

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Trapezites phigalia

This is a reasonably common skipper in the mountains, particularly west of the NSW Divide. It flies from September to November, flitting from flower to flower or resting on a twig or blade of long grass. Males collect on hilltops waiting for females. Its caterpillars eat Matrush (Lomandra)



Heath ochre underside



Heath ochre with its forewings still expanding