

## V Kershawi



30 mm

Australian Painted Lady

*Vanessa kershawi*

Very common in gardens and the bush, this butterfly is usually found around daisies, because these are the caterpillar's food plant. It is one of the earliest butterflies to appear in the Spring, and it is common until late Autumn.

The caterpillars' food plants include the native Everlasting Daisies, such as this butterfly is feeding from, as well as Scotch Thistle and garden Artemisia. Caterpillars hide during the day in a curled leaf or on the ground near the food plant.

