

# Butterflies & Blueberries, Inc.

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## Bill's Butterfly Net Castle

### Directions for Net Castle Use

1. Separate Butterfly Nursery & carefully remove any webbing (silk) that may be attached to the chrysalises. The chrysalises will then be free-hanging on the sides of the Nursery.
2. Put the Nursery into the Net Castle.
3. Lightly mist chrysalises daily, if possible. Butterflies emerge!! The doily can be removed after all the Butterflies have emerged.
4. Put round, plastic mesh into the clear dish. Fill 2/3 with 10% sugar water or Gatorade and place in the center of the Net. Butterflies will begin to feed a day or so after emerging. It helps to turn the plastic mesh over a few times in the sugar solution to stimulate feeding. Change solution every other day or so.
5. Mist butterflies daily, if possible. If any chrysalises become detached from the side or if any form in the food dish, simply remove any silk webbing on them and place on the doily in the Net Castle.

---Chrysalises that are formed on the Nursery cap net can be left on the piece of net & put in the Net Castle OR carefully remove from the piece of net & place on the doily.

---It isn't necessary for the chrysalises to be "hanging" for a successful emergence.

---Newly emerged Painted Lady butterflies will secrete a red substance (merconium) out of the tail. This is not blood. It is left over from wing formation.

Additional Supplies for Butterfly Raising Activities available at <http://www.Butterflynursery.com> include Live Butterfly Larvae, Bill's Net Castle and the Mini-Nurseries as well as butterfly food, live butterflies and wedding butterflies for release at weddings and other ceremonies.