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HAVE YOU
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OF THESE
FLUTTER BY?

EUCHLOE AUSONIDES INSULANA
PHOTO BY: SCOTT MCCARTHY, USFWS

DEAR ISLAND NEIGHBOR,

Do you recognize the tiny creature on the front of this card? Meet the Island Marble Butterfly, a rare species currently found only on San Juan Island—and nowhere else in the world. Currently, the population is estimated to be around 150 individuals, so your chances of seeing one of these beauties outside of their last stronghold at the American Camp prairie on San Juan Island are pretty slim.

The San Juan Preservation Trust is working with many partners to ensure the survival of this endemic species. Most recently, we've created several new habitat "patches" that will provide safe havens for the Island Marble to live out its entire life cycle, free from the many threats that caused its rarity in the first place.

Perhaps in the not-too-distant future, you will be able to see one of these flutter by—right in your own backyard.

To find out more about this amazing endemic species and the Preservation Trust's work to boost its population, *please contact the San Juan Preservation Trust at 360-317-1180 or visit www.sjpt.org.*

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