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Vildtbedene har aldrig været så fulde af liv. Sommerfuglene, bierne og de andre insekter vrimler mellem de vilde planter. Det var det, bedene skulle, dengang jeg anrettede dem. De skulle give mig oplevelser, som den daværende plæne aldrig ville kunne.

I sommer er der kommet en gæst mere. Et dådyr, der lister sig ind fra skoven – ikke kun i skumringen, som man skulle forvente, men også midt på dagen, hvor solen står højt på himlen. Den går roligt og nipper til planter og buske, som havde den altid hørt til her. En gang i mellem standser hun op og lytter. Måske ligger hendes kalv oppe i det tætte buskads af hindbær?

Men ude i Europa oplever dyr og mennesker en anden sommer. Hos os har vi den anden hedeølge. Vi klynker, når temperaturen sniger sig over 30 graders Celsius. Men i nyhederne ruller billederne af skovbrande hen over Europa. Både i Middelhavslande, men også længere mod nord, end vi er vant til at høre om. Endnu et varsel på de voldsomme klimaforandringer, som forskerne for længst har forudset.

Jeg nyder min egen have og fotograferer overflod, mens vi bliver opmærksomme på, at den samme varme, der får insekterne til at sværme om blomsterne, lægger skov i aske i vores nabolande.

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The wildflower beds have never been so full of life. Butterflies, bees, and other insects swarm among the wild plants. That was exactly what I had hoped for when I created these beds. They were meant to give me experiences that the lawn they replaced never could.

This summer, another visitor has arrived. A roe deer slips in from the forest—not only at dusk, as one might expect, but also in the middle of the day, when the sun is high in the sky. It moves calmly, nibbling at plants and shrubs as though it has always belonged here. Every now and then, she stops and listens. Perhaps her fawn is lying hidden in the dense raspberry thicket nearby.

But elsewhere in Europe, both animals and

people are experiencing a very different summer. Here, we are in the midst of our second heatwave. We complain when the temperature creeps above 30 degrees Celsius. Yet the news is filled with images of wildfires sweeping across Europe—not only in the Mediterranean countries, but also much farther north than we are used to hearing about. Another warning of the dramatic climate changes that scientists have been predicting for years.

I enjoy my own garden and photograph its abundance, even as we become aware that the same warmth that draws insects to the flowers is also reducing forests to ashes in our neighbouring countries.



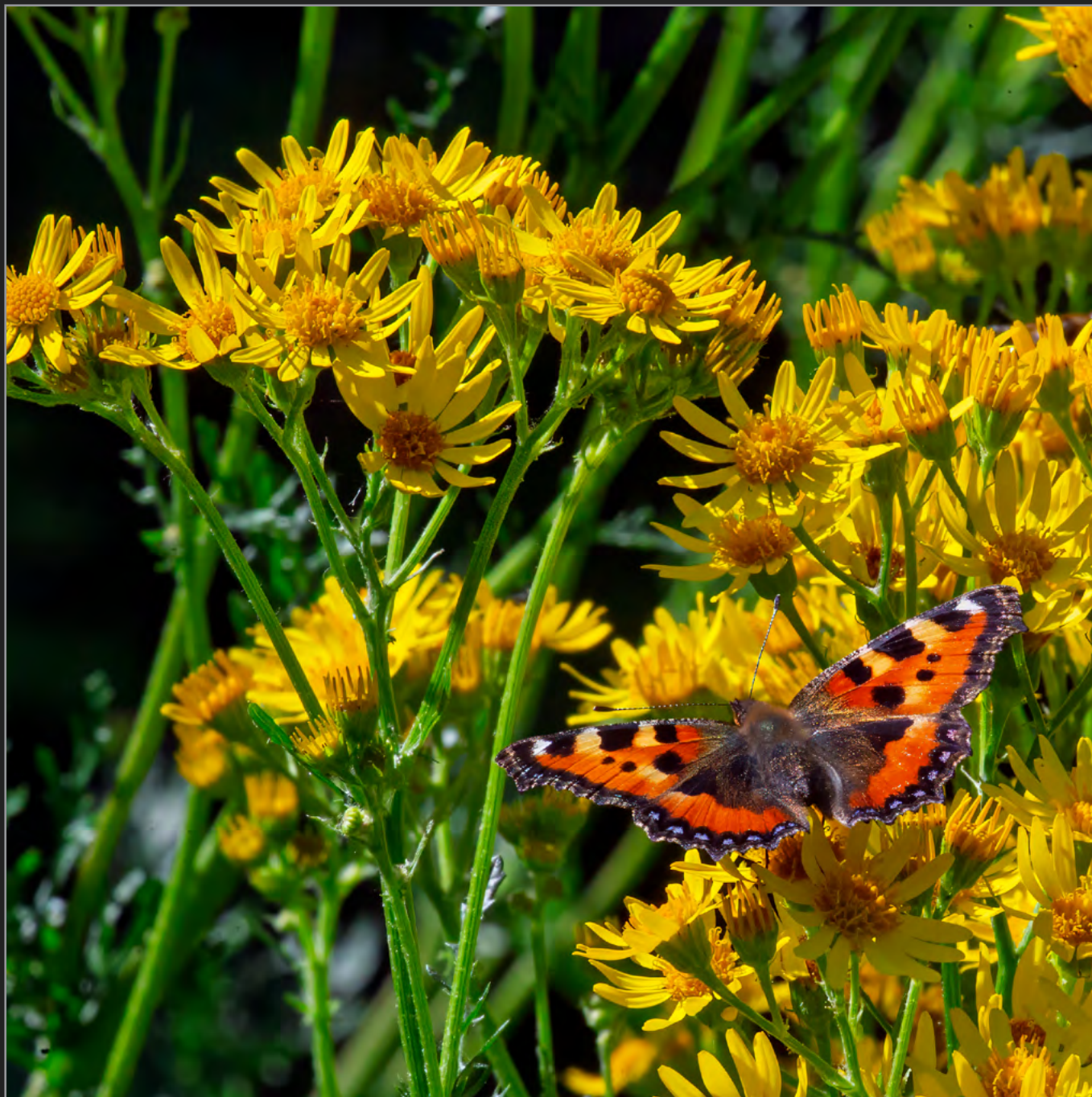
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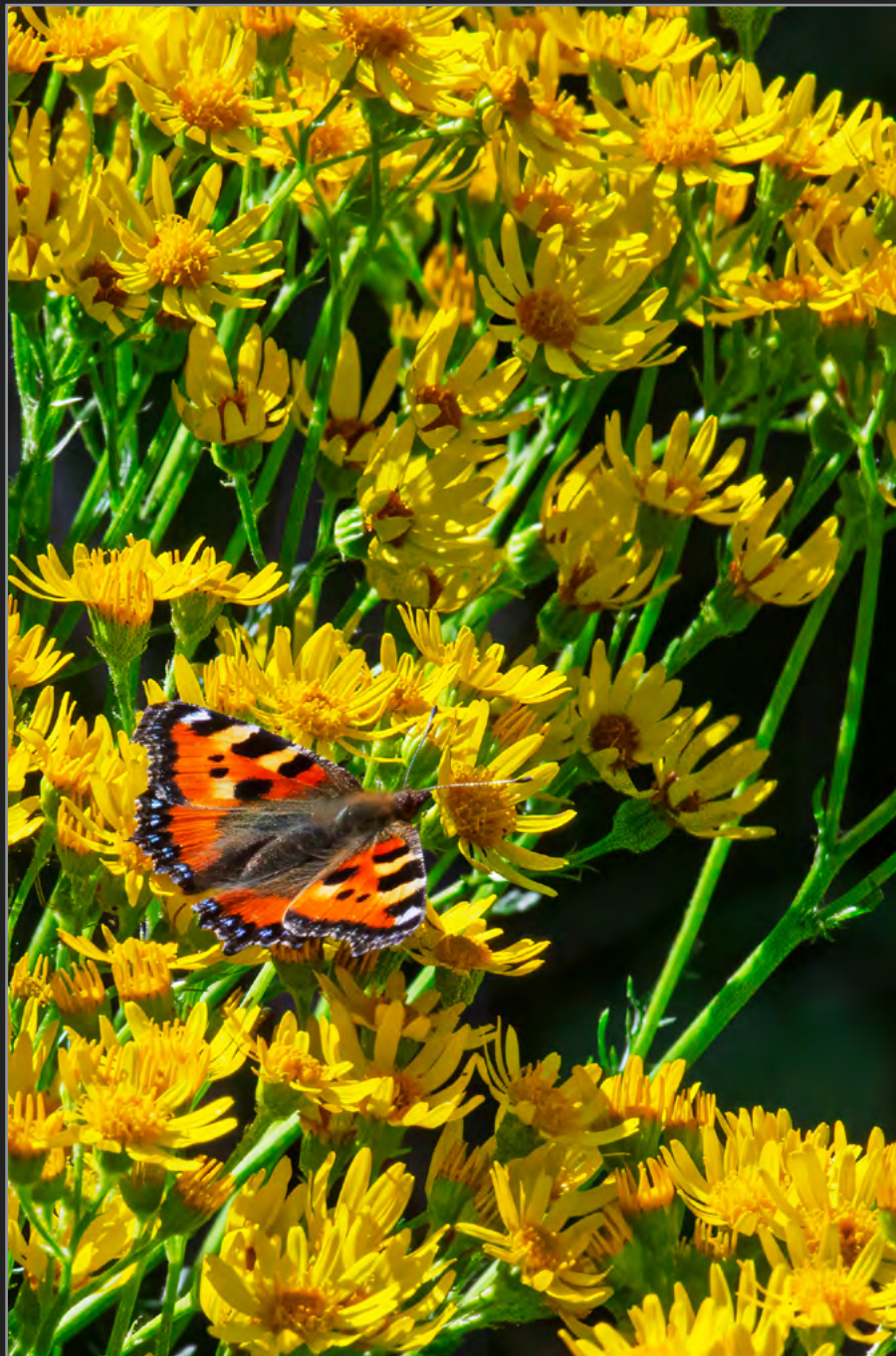
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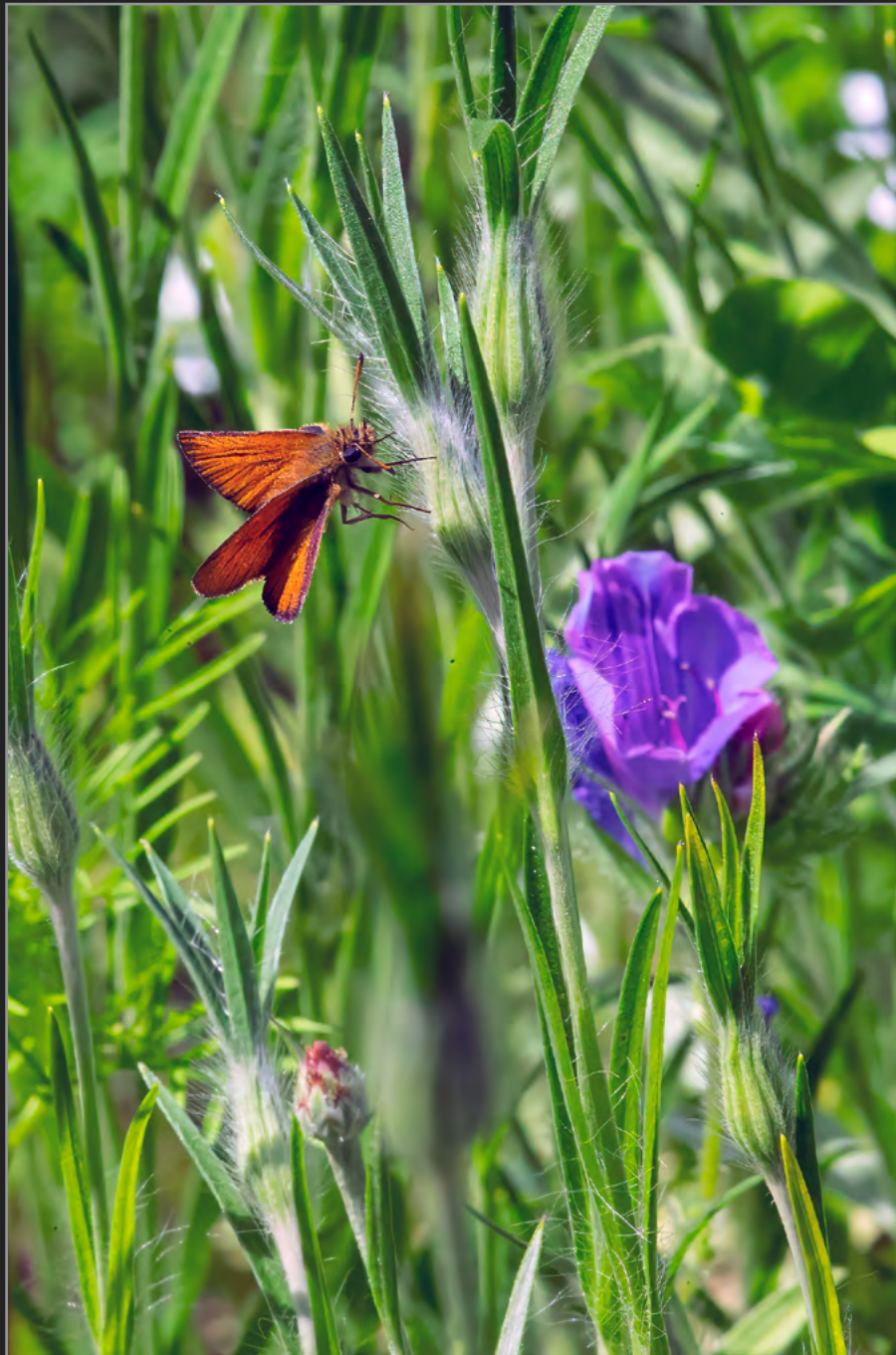
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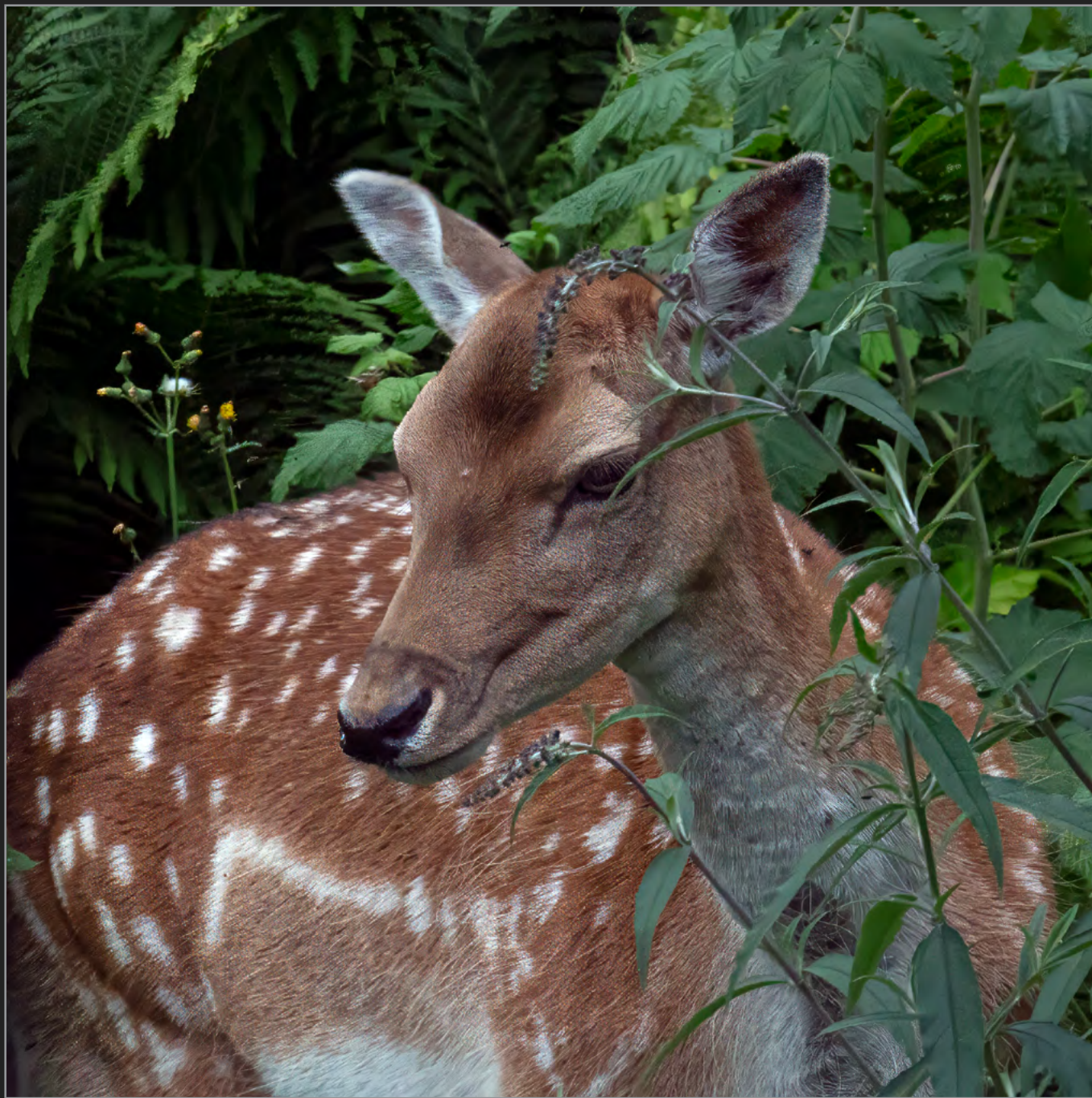
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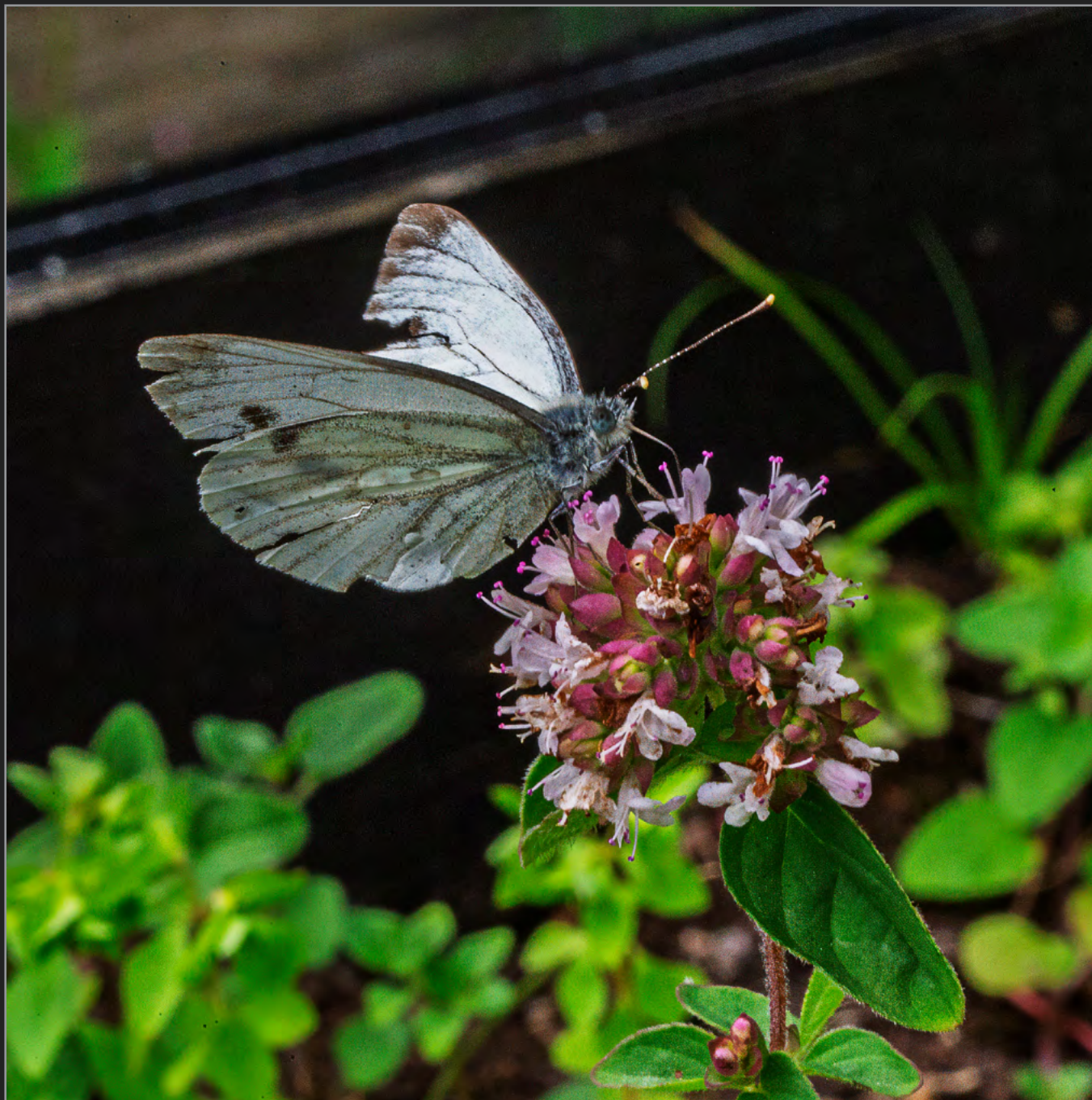
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