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# Animal Fact Sheet

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# Eastern Mole

*Scalopus aquaticus*

The Eastern Mole is a small, burrowing mammal native to eastern and central North America. It is easily recognized by its velvety gray fur, cylindrical body, and large, spade-shaped forelimbs special…

## Quick facts

**Classification:** Mammal
**Family:** Talpidae
**Habitat:** Moist soils in grasslands, forests, and gardens
**Diet:** Carnivore
**Conservation status:** Least Concern
**Lifespan:** 3-6 years
**Weight:** 65-140 grams
**Scientific name:** Scalopus aquaticus

## Did you know?

- Despite their species name 'aquaticus', Eastern Moles are not aquatic but are named for their preference for moist, loose soils.
- Eastern Moles can dig up to 4.5 meters of tunnel per hour when hunting for food. Their velvety fur can lie flat in any direction, allowing them to mo…

## What I learned

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