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Animal Fact Sheet

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Eastern Spadefoot Toad

Scaphiopus holbrookii

The Eastern Spadefoot Toad is a secretive amphibian native to the eastern United States, recognized for its smooth, warty skin and distinctive vertical pupils. Its olive to brown coloration, often wi…

Quick facts

Classification: Amphibian
Family: Scaphiopodidae
Habitat: Sandy or loose soil areas in forests, grasslands, fields, and coastal plains
Diet: Carnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 5-10 years
Weight: 15-30 grams
Scientific name: Scaphiopus holbrookii

Did you know?

- Unlike most toads, the Eastern Spadefoot has vertical, cat-like pupils instead of horizontal ones.
- Eastern Spadefoot Toads can remain dormant underground for months or even years during droughts. Their explosive breeding events can result in thousa…

What I learned

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