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Goliath Birdeater

Theraphosa blondi

The Goliath Birdeater is the largest spider in the world by mass and size, native to the rainforests of northern South America. Despite its name, it rarely preys on birds, instead feeding on insects,...

Quick facts

Classification: Invertebrate

Family: Theraphosidae

Habitat: Tropical rainforest

Diet: Carnivore

Conservation status: Least Concern

Lifespan: 10-15 years (females), 3-6 years (males)

Weight: 100-175 grams

Scientific name: *Theraphosa blondi*

Did you know?

- The Goliath Birdeater's fangs can be up to 2.5 cm (1 in) long—strong enough to pierce a mouse's skull.
- The Goliath Birdeater can rub its legs to release irritating hairs as a defense mechanism. Despite its intimidating appearance, its venom is not leth...

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