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Animal Fact Sheet

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Mole Cricket

Gryllotalpa gryllotalpa

The mole cricket is a burrowing insect known for its unique, spade-like forelimbs adapted for digging in soil. It is nocturnal and spends much of its life underground, where it constructs elaborate t…

Quick facts

Classification: Invertebrate
Family: Gryllotalpidae
Habitat: Moist soils in grasslands, agricultural fields, and gardens
Diet: Omnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 1-2 years
Weight: 2-3 grams
Scientific name: Gryllotalpa gryllotalpa

Did you know?

- Mole crickets can create 'singing chambers' underground that amplify their calls, making them some of the loudest insects relative to their size.
- Mole crickets are remarkable diggers, able to move through soil with ease thanks to their specialized limbs. Their mating calls, amplified by resonan…

What I learned

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