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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 tunnels.

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 resonance...

What I learned
