So Spider So What 50: A Comprehensive Guide to the World's Largest Spider



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The Goliath birdeater (Theraphosa blondi) is the world's largest spider, with a leg span of up to 12 inches (30 cm) and a body length of up to 5 inches (13 cm). It is found in the rainforests of South America, where it preys on a variety of small animals, including insects, frogs, lizards, and even small birds.

Size

The Goliath birdeater is the largest spider in the world, both in terms of leg span and body mass. The average leg span of a Goliath birdeater is 10-12 inches (25-30 cm), but some specimens have been known to reach leg spans of up to 15 inches (38 cm). The average body length of a Goliath birdeater is 3-5 inches (8-13 cm), but some specimens have been known to reach body lengths of up to 6 inches (15 cm).

Diet

The Goliath birdeater is a carnivorous spider that preys on a variety of small animals, including insects, frogs, lizards, and even small birds. It uses its powerful fangs to inject its prey with a venom that paralyzes and kills it. The Goliath birdeater then uses its sharp claws to tear its prey apart and eat it.

Habitat

The Goliath birdeater is found in the rainforests of South America, where it lives in burrows or under rocks and logs. It is a nocturnal spider that is most active at night. The Goliath birdeater is a shy and reclusive spider that is rarely seen by humans.

Fangs

The Goliath birdeater has two large fangs that are used to inject its prey with venom. The fangs are located at the front of the spider's head and are connected to venom glands. The venom of the Goliath birdeater is not fatal to humans, but it can cause pain and swelling.

Venom

The venom of the Goliath birdeater is not fatal to humans, but it can cause pain and swelling. The venom is made up of a variety of toxins that work together to paralyze and kill the spider's prey. The venom is also used to defend the spider from predators.

Prey

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Behavior

The Goliath birdeater is a shy and reclusive spider that is rarely seen by humans. It is a nocturnal spider that is most active at night. The Goliath

birdeater spends most of its time in its burrow or under rocks and logs. It only comes out to hunt at night.

Habitat

The Goliath birdeater is found in the rainforests of South America, where it lives in burrows or under rocks and logs. It is a tropical spider that prefers warm, humid climates. The Goliath birdeater is found in a variety of habitats, including rainforests, swamps, and grasslands.

Conservation

The Goliath birdeater is not currently considered to be an endangered species, but its populations are declining due to habitat loss and deforestation. The Goliath birdeater is also a popular pet, which can contribute to its decline in the wild.

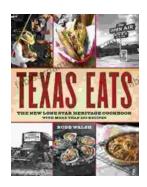
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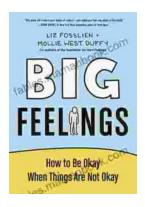






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