

The Portia spider

Have you ever heard of a spider eating spider, well the Portia spider does just that with eight huge eyes and they can also jump up to 50 times their own body length read on to find out how they hunt, their appearance and their diet

Appearance

The Portia spider has a rather unique appearance it has eight enormous bulging eyes that allow it to map its surroundings in 3D when catching its pray. It also has two venomous fangs that are used poisoning its pray interestingly, it has a furry coat because it needs to camouflage with its surroundings.

Hunting and diet

The Portia spider is a spider eating spider which means that they have to occasionally have to eat pray 3 times their own size. They hunt by plucking the web of their pray's web to mimic struggling pray and luring their unsuspecting pray towards him and then pouncing on them.

In conclusion Portia spiders are fascinating creatures but unfortunately the Portia spider is at risk due to deforestation almost 4 football pitches of jungle are being cut down every second. Hopefully they can be protected in the future.;

