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What Lies Beneath PROTECTING THE WILDLIFE IN YOUR OWN BACKYARD







It can be difficult to see overwintering eggs, insects, cocoons, and other creatures tucked in under the leaves. They rely on that cover to protect and insulate them until it's safe to emerge in spring.

Here are a few examples of what can lie just below the surface. Though some are creepy crawly, each life has an important role to play in keeping local food webs in balance.

- Salamanders
- Moths/Cocoons
- Wood Frogs
- Toads
- Native Bees
- Butterfly Eggs

- Caterpillars
- Centipedes
- Millipedes
- Ladybugs
- Snakes
- Beetles

Did you spot all 20 of them hiding in the leaf litter?

When should you start spring yardwork? Wait until daytime temperatures are consistently 50° to give these hidden treasures a chance.

