

## Beneficial Species Profile



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**Common Name:** Lampshade Weavers

**Scientific Name:** *Hypochilus pococki*

**Order and Family:** Araneae, Hypochilidae

### Size and Appearance:

	Adult	Egg	Larvae/ Nymph	Pupae
Length (mm)	15mm	1 mm		
Appearance	Patterned; light brown and black; white spots; flat body; long, pointed legs	In egg sac; translucent with thin membrane		

**Type of feeder (Chewing, sucking, etc.):** Sharp piercing mouthparts

**Host/s:** Eat small insects and sometimes other spiders

**Description of Benefits (predator, parasitoid, pollinator, etc.):** Predator builds circular web made of heavy, sticky silk; pierces prey and pre-digests before consuming

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