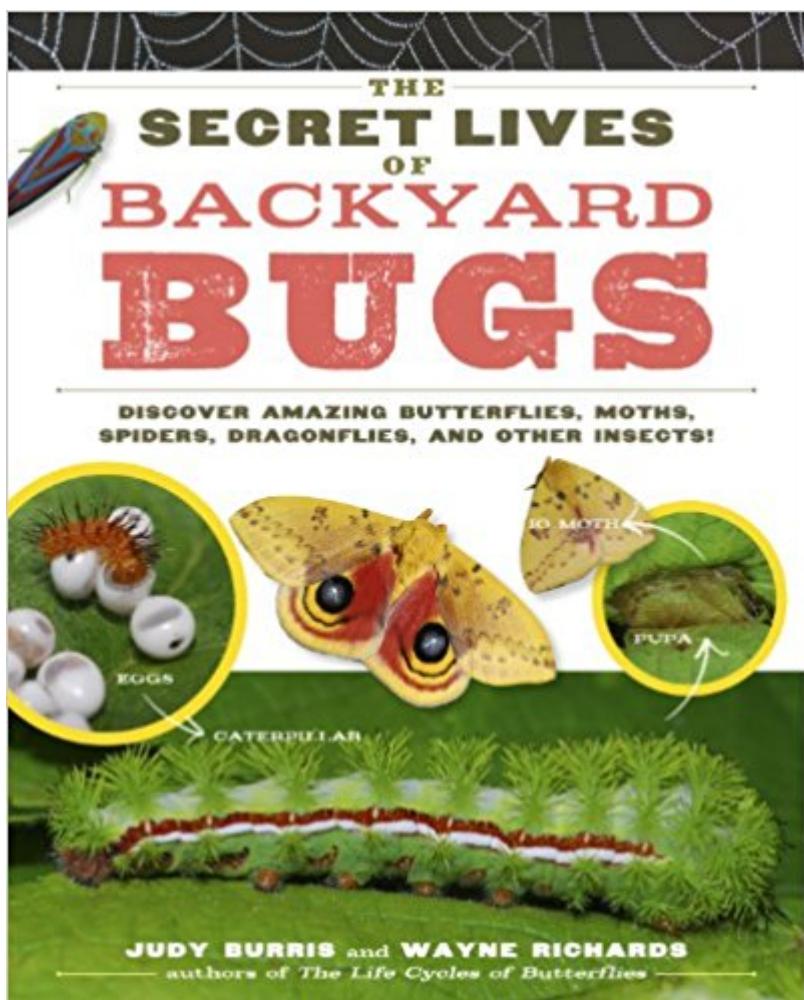


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# The Secret Lives Of Backyard Bugs: Discover Amazing Butterflies, Moths, Spiders, Dragonflies, And Other Insects!



## **Synopsis**

With this book in hand, readers of any age will discover -- just outside their own doors, no matter where they live--a world they never knew existed. Hundreds of stunning photos combined with expert information create an up-close-and-personal tour of the hidden lives of spiders, beetles, butterflies, moths, crickets, dragonflies, damselflies, grasshoppers, aphids, and many other backyard residents. You won't believe your eyes! Each creature is in its natural setting, and many are shown progressing through all of the various stages of their life cycles. This is a one-of-a-kind look at some of life's most fascinating mysteries -- surprising, captivating, and perfect for nature lovers of all ages."The Secret Lives of Backyard Bugs" has earned two national awards --(1) NOBA - National Outdoor Book Award (2) Teacher's Choice Award for "Product of Excellence for the Family".

## **Book Information**

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## **Customer Reviews**

The pages are filled with great color photos arranged in a magazine-like format. The whole book seems like it could be the bug edition of Ranger Rick. The back of the book has comparison charts to help identify eggs, larvae, pupae, and adults. It would make a great home reference book for any kid interested in bugs. - Kaylee from Goodreads In awe filled photography we are able to see

complete life cycles of insects and spiders from eggs to larvae, pupa to adult. This is by far one of the most interesting bug books I have ever read. It also includes a top host and nectar plant guide, comparison guides for each stage of the life cycle, and briefly touches on plant and soil life. Detailed descriptions and photographs make this book interesting even for those who aren't overly fond of insects. -- Melanie Schemanski ([melanieski.blogspot.com](http://melanieski.blogspot.com)) "For all aspiring entomologists, or even just plain nature lovers, this book should be part of your library." --Aron Row

(citybookreview.com) The entire book is filled with amazing photographs that will delight readers of all ages. Â Each of the sections about the insects has wonderful basic information with pictures of the different stages of the insect. The brother-sister author team has brought the mysterious world of these little critters to life. And this book is a great way to start to learn about insects whether you are 5 or 55. This book is anÂ excellentÂ book for children, grandchildren, aÂ favoriteÂ teacher or a favorite gardener.-- Donna Donabella ([GardensEyeView.com](http://GardensEyeView.com)) This title finds beauty and value in a world of small creatures that crawl, fly, and jump, with first-person narration by the sister-brother team of authors adding to its charm...Riveting color photographs of the life stages of each bug accompany its description. Especially impressive are the artful close-ups showcasing the differences in tiny eggs...Intended to inspire budding entomologists to get their hands dirty and scare mom with some creepy crawlies in the process, the volume satisfies on both scores. Older readers will glom onto the wealth of knowledge about life cycles and information on how to grow the best host plants for these bugs, while the picture-book format will undoubtedly elicit excited choruses of "Gross!" from younger readers. The species highlighted are commonly found across the United States and readers are challenged to find these bugs for themselves, with tips provided on how to raise moths and, importantly, protect bug habitat...At its heart, this is a book about noticing and preserving the invertebrates we take for granted. It intrigues throughout and leaves readers with the feeling that their own backyard is a wonderland waiting to be discovered. (ForeWord Reviews)

If we can just encourage people to care about nature on a personal level it will change their lives forever.Â And we know from our own experiences that families who share their outdoor activities together form closer bonds to each other.Â Our childhood love for butterflies fueled our quest to become naturalists and has led us on the adventure of a lifetime as we grew into nature photographers, authors and public speakers.

This is a splendid little book. Great for kids and adults alike. The authors have captured and recorded a number of backyard insects not commonly noticed and recorded in photos all the

different phases of their lives. Eggs, larvae and adults are shown. Most field guides just show the adults. This book is different and strongly emphasizes the complete life cycle of insects. The numerous pictures are almost all macro-photos taken under challenging conditions. Highly recommended.

Awesome! My kids love this book and refer to it often when they've seen a new bug outside they want to learn more about!

This book has been quite useful as I pick assorted bugs off my garden plants. Since I have no real desire to use pesticides and kill all of the bugs, I prefer to pick bugs off and then decide which ones get a 'pass' and which ones get mashed. Just today this book helped me to decide that the 'foul little creature' that was eating the leaves of my peach sapling was likely a butterfly caterpillar; so I moved it to a different location instead of giving it a death sentence. True, the book is not exhaustive, but it is quite thorough and a good companion for me and my garden..

My son is 3.5 and is obsessed with this book. It's his favorite book. We have all learned a tremendous amount from it. Highly recommend for any kid with an interest in bugs!

This book gave me names to go with the many photos of incredible creatures that I have taken. Not a long book but chock full of beautiful photos and useful information. Great for all ages. Would totally recommend this wonderful book.

Excellent photographs and descriptions of many bugs in all life cycle stages.

This is a wonderful book. It is written for children, however it is very good for an adult user. Lots of color close up pictures.

Nice book, good delivery, but a little less advanced than I was hoping. OK for older child, but I needed something more comprehensive. Will keep it and give it to my granddaughter.

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