





Sac County Conservation
KneeHigh Naturalist

Camouflage



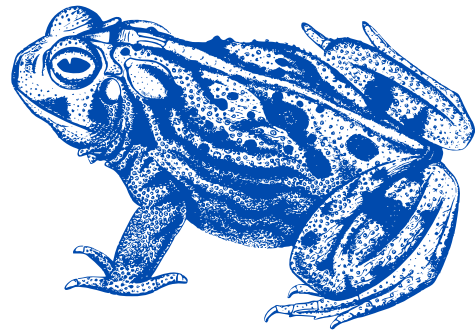
Camo Craft

CREATE YOUR OWN CAMOUFLAGED MOTH. TAKE THE PIPE CLEANER AND THREAD IT THROUGH THE CLOTHESPIN. BRING IT STRAIGHT UP AND PULL THE ANTENNAE OUT AT THE TOP OF THE PIN. THEN SNAP ON YOUR COFFEE FILTER WINGS. USING THE Q-TIP DAB THE COFFEE FILTERS DIFFERENT COLORS TO CAMOUFLAGE YOUR MOTH.



Camo Activities

Go out on a hike to look for animals that are camouflaged! Before you leave cut out these frogs and as you hike drop them in different places and see which color hides the best in different spots!



Camouflage

by Jennifer Fix

CAMOUFLAGE, CAMOUFLAGE,
DON'T LET YOUR COLORS SHOW.
ARE YOU GREEN LIKE A TREE
OR ARE YOU WHITE LIKE THE SNOW?
INSECTS MAY BE COLORED GREEN
TO MATCH GRASS ON THE GROUND.
DEER CHANGE COLORS
TO MATCH ALL THAT'S AROUND.
CAMOUFLAGE, CAMOUFLAGE,
DON'T LET YOUR COLORS SHOW.
ARE YOU GREEN LIKE A TREE
OR ARE YOU WHITE LIKE THE SNOW?
WHILE HIDING IN YOUR HABITAT,
YOU LOOK JUST LIKE YOUR HOME
THAT PREDATOR MAY SEARCH AND SEARCH
WHILE YOU REMAIN UNKNOWN.
CAMOUFLAGE, CAMOUFLAGE,
DON'T LET YOUR COLORS SHOW.
ARE YOU GREEN LIKE A TREE
OR ARE YOU WHITE LIKE THE SNOW?
THAT PREDATOR IS HOPING
TO TURN YOU INTO PREY.
HE'S HUNGRY FOR SOME YUMMY FOOD,
AND WANTS TO GOBBLE YOU AWAY.
CAMOUFLAGE, CAMOUFLAGE,
DON'T LET YOUR COLORS SHOW.
ARE YOU GREEN LIKE A TREE
OR ARE YOU WHITE LIKE THE SNOW?



Suggested Reading

**In the Woods:
Who's Been Here?**
by Dawn Pape

**Secrets of the
Apple Tree**
Carron Brown

**Look Again: Secrets
of Animal
Camouflage**
by Robin Page and Steve Jenkins

WARNING COLORS

Bright colors like orange can tell an animal that they may be poisonous and shouldn't be eaten



Viceroy
Viceroy's aren't posinous but they mimic Monarchs who are!

MIMICRY

Coloring to look like another animal



Monarch



AVOID PREDATORS

SNEAK UP ON PREY

CAMOUFLAGE

Cryptic Coloration



OLFACTORY CAMOUFLAGE

Smelling like another animal
Fox snakes let out a smell so they smell like a fox keeping predators away.



Caddisfly Larvae
Attach items like rocks and plants to their body to help them camouflage!



SKY BLENDING



COUNTERSHADING

Dark on top light on the bottom

DISRUPTIVE COLORATION

The art of misidentification

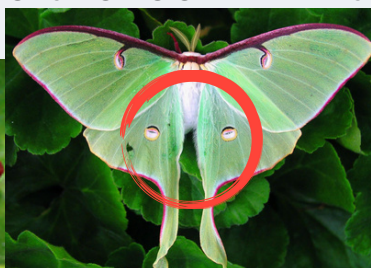


Colors that make them look like something else.

DOTS TO LOOK LIKE EYES



CATERPILLAR THAT LOOKS LIKE BIRD POOP



SEASONAL COLORS

