A Bug's Life Mimosa webworm

Fun facts

- Caterpillars feed in large, messy silk mats that turn brown
- Caterpillars will drop down from trees on silken line and disperse
- 2 generations per year: Injury noticed in June and September



Identification

<u>Eggs:</u> White eggs laid on leaves and old webbing, turn pink before hatching

<u>Caterpillar</u>: Gray to dark brown, dark head, and five green stripes <u>Moth</u>: Small silvery-gray with small black spots

Host plants

• Mimosa and thornless honeylocust

Management

- Choose less susceptible cultivar
- Scout early and prune out in June
- May require Insecticide treatment in June and August



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