

# A Bug's Life Solitary oak leafminer

*Cameraria hamadryadella*

## Fun facts

- Feed between and pupates between layers of leaf
- Overwinter as larvae in fallen leaf
- Injury largely cosmetic
- Silhouette visible through leaf if held up to light

## Identification

Damage: Blotch mines on the upper-side of the leaf

Egg: One at a time on surface of leaf

Larva: Flat and tapered, look like rattle of rattle snake

Moth: Small, pale, silver moths with orange marks on wings

## Host plants

- Larvae feed on various oaks, especially white oak

## Management

- Rake, destroy, dispose fallen leaves
- No chemical treatment recommended



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