



## BUTTERFLY PAVILION

### Regal Jumping Spider (*Scientific name*)



**Country:** Native to the southeastern United States, especially Florida. It can also be found in parts of the Caribbean and other warm regions.

**Habitat:** Inhabit a variety of environments, including gardens, forests, fields, and urban areas. They are commonly found on plants, tree trunks, fences, and building walls where they hunt for prey.

**Diet:** These spiders are carnivorous and primarily feed on small insects and other arthropods. They are known for their excellent hunting skills and do not rely on webs to catch prey. Instead, they actively stalk and pounce on their prey.

**Predators:** Birds, lizards, other spiders, and some small mammals

**Behavior:** Known for their excellent vision and agile jumping abilities, which they use for hunting and navigating. These spiders are also known for their characteristic "dances" or displays when interacting with potential mates or rivals.

**Growth and Development:** Females can produce multiple egg sacs, with each sac containing anywhere from 50 to 200 eggs. The spiderlings emerge from the egg sac and are independent from birth.

**Lifespan:** 1-2 years

**IUCN Endangered Status:** The status of this species is undocumented.

**Fun Fact:** They have exceptional eyesight, thanks to their large forward-facing eyes, which gives them a distinct advantage when hunting.