

Spinarak & Ariados

Spinarak (#167)

Bug	Poison
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Sex Ratio: ½ Female, ½ Male

Egg Group: Bug

Abilities:

Swarm, Insomnia, Sniper

<i>Arachnifoveros viridis</i> (Spinarak)
<i>Arachnifoveros arachnifoveros</i> (Ariados)

Spinarak are spider Pokémon, who produce a poison that is fairly harmless to humans but potent enough to stun prey. They average in at 1'8 feet tall (0.5 M) and 18.7 pounds (8.5 kg). Which is, in fact, a rather large spider.

Spinarak	
HP	40
Attack	60
Defense	40
Sp. Attack	40
Sp. Defense	40
Speed	30

Habitat: Spinaraks are found in temperate and tropical forests across the globe. During winter they hibernate or simply die off.

Spinaraks and Ariadoses are not natively found on Antarctica, Australia, or Aotearoa (New Zealand).

Life Cycles: Spinarak are able to reproduce as soon as they are strong enough to spare the resources (level 15, as is standard). Once or twice a year, depending on the climate, they will lay around 200 fist-sized eggs (the normal size of bug types). Like other bugs, their eggs are heavily predated upon, and the babies are eaten regularly by bird Pokémon. In a clutch of 200, about 1-4 will survive to reproductive maturity.

Behavior: Spinarak live mostly solitary lives. Their main source of socialization is with other Spinaraks, when finding mates, and the occasional neutral Pokémon – someone who is neither prey nor considers the Spinarak prey. They're amicable enough when raised by humans and can make a good companion for those who live more introverted lives.

Diet: Spinarak will try to consume anything that it can catch in its web, but due to size constrictions this tends to be other bugs. It's favorite prey are Cutieflyies!

Conservation: Least Concern.

Seriously, they're *spiders*. And big ones. Just *try* getting rid of these fuckers – bet you can't!

Relationship with Humans: Spinaraks are, well, spiders. While they are certainly cute spiders, they are still just spiders. They are both a nuisance to households everywhere and a boon to anyone with sense because a Spinarak will happily eat all of the other unwanted pests that come crawling around your basement! Additionally, their spider silk is incredibly strong, which humans have been using for fishing nets for thousands of years, and some cultures even use the silk to treat wounds. Spinaraks are common enough in media as any generic spider would be.

Learnset: Tutoring/TMs								
Normal	Attract	Status	Dark	Hone Claws	Status	Normal	Swagger	Status
Normal	Body Slam	Physical	Bug	Infestation	Special	Dark	Thief	Physical
Flying	Bounce	Physical	Normal	Mimic	Status	Poison	Toxic	Status
Bug	Bug Bite	Physical	Ghost	Night Shade	Special	Poison	Venoshock	Physical
Bug	Bug Buzz	Special	Poison	Poison Jab	Physical	Bug	X-Scissor	Physical
Normal	Captivate	Status	Normal	Protect	Status			
Normal	Confide	Status	Psychic	Psychic	Special			
Ghost	Curse	Status	Normal	Refresh	Status			
Ground	Dig	Physical	Psychic	Rest	Status			
Normal	Double Team	Status	Normal	Return	Physical			
Normal	Double-Edge	Physical	Normal	Secret Power	Physical			
Electric	Electroweb	Status	Bug	Signal Beam	Special			
Normal	Endure	Status	Normal	Sleep Talk	Status			
Normal	Endure	Status	Poison	Sludge Bomb	Special			
Normal	Facade	Physical	Normal	Snore	Special			
Normal	Flash	Status	Grass	Solar Beam	Special			
Dark	Foul Play	Physical	Bug	String Shot	Status			
Normal	Frustration	Physical	Bug	Struggle Bug	Physical			
Grass	Giga Drain	Special	Normal	Substitute	Status			
Normal	Growth	Status	Dark	Sucker Punch	Physical			
Normal	Hidden Power	Special	Fire	Sunny Day	Status			

Ariados (#168)

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Ariadoses are the evolved form of Spinarak, and thus the Very Large Spider Pokémon. The tiny hooks on Ariados's claws allow it to scale even vertical ceilings. Their average size is 3'7 feet tall (1.1 M) and 73.9 pounds (33.5 kg).

Habitat: Temperate and tropical forests around the globe. They have also been known to make their nests in caves.

Life Cycles: Ariados life cycles are similar to that of Spinarak, but as a much stronger Pokémon a female Ariados will lay clutches between 300 and 500 Spinarak eggs. The parent Ariadoses will even provide basic parental care of the eggs in the form of protection and guardianship up until hatching. Upon hatching, the baby Spinaraks are left to fend for themselves.

Ariados females will mate with males of other species that can withstand combat against it. Weak males are likely to be consumed. To this end, male Spinaraks rarely mate with female Ariadoses, but the reverse is not true.

There are few predators of Ariados. The most notable ones tend to be large bird Pokémon that can successfully defend itself against the Ariados, such as Talonflame, Braviary, and Corviknight. Packs of Arcanines and Houndooms have also shown themselves to be successful predators.

Behavior: The eggs of a mother Ariados will be laid in a protective nest, such as a cave or tree hollow, but in absence of a proper hollow the Ariados will create its own nest that it covers in protective spider silk to keep predators out.

Ariados are cruel hunters who will shoot single threads onto its victims, then follow them back to their nest where their bodily fluids are drunk at a leisurely rate. Sometimes, it will allow one of its victims to escape with a single thread still attached to it, allowing the Ariados to follow it back to its friends.

Ariados	
HP	70
Attack	90
Defense	70
Sp. Attack	60
Sp. Defense	70
Speed	40

Classification: Ariados are the namesake of their genus, *Arachnifoveros* and was one of the earliest Pokémon ever classified by Linnaeus.

Evolution: Ariados evolve from Spinarak at level 22.

Learnset: Tutoring/TMs								
Normal	Attract	Status	Normal	Hidden Power	Special	Bug	Spider Web	Status
Normal	Body Slam	Physical	Dark	Hone Claws	Status	Bug	String Shot	Status
Flying	Bounce	Physical	Bug	Infestation	Special	Bug	Struggle Bug	Physical
Bug	Bug Bite	Physical	Bug	Leech Life	Special	Normal	Substitute	Status
Bug	Bug Buzz	Special	Normal	Mimic	Status	Dark	Sucker Punch	Physical
Normal	Captivate	Status	Ghost	Night Shade	Special	Fire	Sunny Day	Status
Normal	Confide	Status	Poison	Poison Fang	Physical	Normal	Swagger	Status
Ghost	Curse	Status	Poison	Poison Jab	Physical	Normal	Swords Dance	Status
Ground	Dig	Physical	Normal	Protect	Status	Dark	Thief	Physical
Normal	Double Team	Status	Psychic	Psychic	Special	Poison	Toxic	Status
Normal	Double-Edge	Physical	Normal	Refresh	Status	Poison	Venoshock	Physical
Electric	Electroweb	Status	Psychic	Rest	Status	Bug	X-Scissor	Physical
Normal	Endure	Status	Normal	Return	Physical			
Normal	Endure	Status	Normal	Scary Face	Status			
Normal	Façade	Physical	Normal	Secret Power	Physical			
Normal	Flash	Status	Ghost	Shadow Ball	Special			
Dark	Foul Play	Physical	Bug	Signal Beam	Special			
Normal	Frustration	Physical	Normal	Sleep Talk	Status			
Grass	Giga Drain	Special	Poison	Sludge Bomb	Special			
Normal	Giga Impact	Physical	Normal	Snore	Special			
Normal	Growth	Status	Grass	Solar Beam	Special			