

# Troglophile Spiders of Hickory Nut Gorge



**Lampshade Spider - *Hypochilus coylei***  
 Small to very large – gray, black, variable, makes lampshade type web under rock ledges and walls



**Cave Longjawed Orbweaver  
*Meta ovalis***  
 Small to large - black or dark brown with variable patterns on abdomen, makes circular “orb” web



**A Basket Web Weaver  
*Calymmaria persica***  
 Small to medium – many dark bands on light colored legs, makes basket web on rock faces, often holding dew



**Common House Spider  
*Parasteatoda tepidariorum***  
 Small – variable pattern, streaks on abdomen, builds a large cob web on undersides of rocks, structures, houses.

**Cave Cobweb Spider - *Nesticus brimleyi***  
 Very small - variable, white, orange, pink coloration, no markings on abdomen, makes small vertical “cob web” in small nooks and cracks