



Learn about our local **wildlife!**

Kudzu

("Japanese arrowroot")



A rampant vine that covers up vacant lots and cliffs. The root is used to make kudzu powder, the main ingredient for kuzumochi. Its purple flower is one of the seven representative autumn flowers in Japan.

Uraginshijimi ("angled sunbeam")



Dorsal view (male)



Ventral view

Larvae eat the kudzu leaves.
Adults feed on juice of ripe fruits and such.
Found between June and November.

Who eats it?



Kofuki Zomushi

("bean frosted weevil")

Found between May and September.

