

## Fireflies during the day

Fireflies are hardly seen during the day. At the Anamalai Tiger Reserve, we've observed fireflies of the species *Abscondita terminalis* perching on large leaves. Detesting sunlight, they perch against the sun, on large, green leaves. While they prefer this for resting, they fly away to leaves high up in the canopy for their synchronous flashes. For their displays, they prefer trees that are interspersed so their flashes can be seen from a distance.

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