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# Acorn Worm

*Saccoglossus kowalevskii*

Acorn worms are soft-bodied, burrowing marine invertebrates belonging to the class Enteropneusta. They are named for the acorn-like appearance of their proboscis, which is used for digging and feedin…

## Quick facts

**Classification:** Invertebrate
**Family:** Harrimaniidae
**Habitat:** Shallow marine sediments, coastal mudflats, and sandy shores
**Diet:** Detritivore
**Conservation status:** Least Concern
**Lifespan:** 1-5 years
**Weight:** 1-45 grams
**Scientific name:** Saccoglossus kowalevskii

## Did you know?

- Despite their simple appearance, acorn worms are closely related to chordates, the group that includes all vertebrates.
- Acorn worms can regenerate lost body parts, including the proboscis and collar. They have a unique method of feeding by drawing in detritus with a mu…

## What I learned

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