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Atlantic Portuguese Man o' War

Physalia physalis

The Atlantic Portuguese Man o' War is a striking marine invertebrate known for its vibrant blue, purple, or pink gas-filled float that sits atop the ocean surface. Despite its jellyfish-like appearance...

Quick facts

Classification: Invertebrate

Family: Physaliidae

Habitat: Open ocean (pelagic zone) in warm tropical and subtropical waters

Diet: Carnivore

Conservation status: Least Concern

Lifespan: 1-3 years

Weight: 100-160 grams

Scientific name: *Physalia physalis*

Did you know?

- Despite looking like a jellyfish, the Portuguese Man o' War belongs to a different group of organisms called siphonophores.
- The Portuguese Man o' War is not a single animal but a colony of genetically identical individuals called zooids. Its gas-filled float acts like a sa...

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