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Chambered Nautilus

Nautilus pompilius

The chambered nautilus is a marine mollusk renowned for its stunning, spiraled shell divided into a series of chambers. As it grows, the nautilus creates new, larger chambers and seals off the old on...

Quick facts

Classification: Invertebrate

Family: Nautilidae

Habitat: Tropical and subtropical deep ocean slopes and coral reefs

Diet: Carnivore

Conservation status: Vulnerable

Lifespan: 15-20 years

Weight: 0.5–2.5 kg

Scientific name: *Nautilus pompilius*

Did you know?

- The chambered nautilus is so ancient that it has survived relatively unchanged for over 500 million years, making it a true 'living fossil.'
- The chambered nautilus can have up to 90 flexible, suckerless tentacles. Its shell is an example of a logarithmic spiral, often admired for its mathe...

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