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Coastal Giant Salamander

Dicamptodon tenebrosus

The Coastal Giant Salamander is the largest terrestrial salamander in North America, reaching lengths of up to 34 centimeters. It is notable for its robust body, broad head, and distinctive marbled o…

Quick facts

Classification: Amphibian
Family: Dicamptodontidae
Habitat: Cool, fast-flowing mountain streams and moist forested areas
Diet: Carnivore
Conservation status: Near Threatened
Lifespan: 10-25 years
Weight: 60-200 grams
Scientific name: Dicamptodon tenebrosus

Did you know?

- Some Coastal Giant Salamanders never leave the water, remaining in their larval form with external gills for their entire life—a phenomenon known as …
- Coastal Giant Salamanders can vocalize, emitting a croaky bark when threatened—unusual among salamanders. They are also capable of regenerating lost …

What I learned

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