

Animal Fact Sheet

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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

