

Animal Fact Sheet

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Coconut octopus

Amphioctopus marginatus

The coconut octopus is a medium-sized cephalopod known for its remarkable intelligence and unique behavior. It inhabits sandy and muddy sea floors in tropical waters of the western Pacific and Indian...

Quick facts

Classification: Invertebrate

Family: Octopodidae

Habitat: Shallow coastal waters, sandy and muddy sea bottoms

Diet: Carnivore

Conservation status: Least Concern

Lifespan: 1-2 years

Weight: 300-500 grams

Scientific name: *Amphioctopus marginatus*

Did you know?

- The coconut octopus can assemble multiple shells or coconut halves into a fortified shelter, demonstrating advanced problem-solving skills.
- The coconut octopus is one of the few animals observed using tools, carrying coconut shells for shelter. It can walk on two arms, mimicking bipedal m...

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