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Common Limpet

Patella vulgata

The common limpet is a small, marine gastropod mollusk known for its distinct conical shell, which tightly adheres to rocks in the intertidal zone. Limpets use a powerful muscular foot and secreted m...

Quick facts

Classification: Invertebrate

Family: Patellidae

Habitat: Rocky intertidal shores

Diet: Herbivore

Conservation status: Least Concern

Lifespan: 2-16 years

Weight: 3-15 grams

Scientific name: *Patella vulgata*

Did you know?

- A limpet's teeth are so strong that researchers have studied them as models for advanced engineering materials.
- Limpets have teeth made from one of the strongest biological materials known, even stronger than spider silk. They return to the exact same spot on t...

What I learned

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