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Animal Fact Sheet

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Diving Beetle

Dytiscus marginalis

The Diving Beetle is an aquatic insect known for its streamlined, oval-shaped body and strong swimming abilities. It typically has a dark, glossy back and lighter underbelly, with long, fringed hind …

Quick facts

Classification: Invertebrate
Family: Dytiscidae
Habitat: Freshwater ponds, lakes, and slow-moving streams
Diet: Carnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 2-3 years
Weight: 1-2 grams
Scientific name: Dytiscus marginalis

Did you know?

- Diving beetles can emit a foul-tasting chemical to deter predators when threatened.
- Diving beetles can store air under their wing cases, allowing them to remain underwater for long periods. Their larvae, known as 'water tigers,' are …

What I learned

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