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Animal Fact Sheet

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Dwarf Siren

Pseudobranchus striatus

The Dwarf Siren is a small, aquatic salamander native to the southeastern United States. It is easily recognized by its elongated, eel-like body, external feathery gills, and the absence of hind limb…

Quick facts

Classification: Amphibian
Family: Sirenidae
Habitat: Shallow, vegetated freshwater wetlands
Diet: Carnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 4-6 years
Weight: 1-3 grams
Scientific name: Pseudobranchus striatus

Did you know?

- Dwarf Sirens have only three toes on each front limb, a unique trait among North American salamanders.
- Dwarf Sirens can survive temporary droughts by burrowing into the mud and entering a state of torpor. Unlike most salamanders, they retain their larv…

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