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Animal Fact Sheet

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Emperor Newt

Tylototriton shanjing

The Emperor Newt is a strikingly colored amphibian known for its vivid orange ridges and black body. Native to the mountainous regions of southwestern China, it inhabits moist forests near streams an…

Quick facts

Classification: Amphibian
Family: Salamandridae
Habitat: Moist forested areas near streams and ponds
Diet: Carnivore
Conservation status: Near Threatened
Lifespan: 10-20 years
Weight: 15-30 grams
Scientific name: Tylototriton shanjing

Did you know?

- When threatened, the Emperor Newt can exude toxins through its skin, and the ribs can actually protrude through the skin to deliver poison directly.
- The Emperor Newt can produce enough toxin to kill about 7,500 mice. It relies on aposematic (warning) coloration to deter predators and is sometimes …

What I learned

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