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Animal Fact Sheet

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Fire coral

Millepora spp.

Fire corals are colonial marine organisms that resemble true corals but are actually more closely related to hydrozoans, such as jellyfish. They are named for their potent sting, which can cause a bu…

Quick facts

Classification: Invertebrate
Family: Milleporidae
Habitat: Shallow tropical and subtropical coral reefs
Diet: Carnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 10-30 years
Weight: Varies greatly (colonies can weigh up to several kilograms)
Scientific name: Millepora spp.

Did you know?

- Fire corals are capable of both sexual and asexual reproduction, enabling them to rapidly expand and colonize new areas of the reef.
- Fire corals can quickly regenerate damaged areas, allowing them to recover from storms and predation. Their bright yellow, green, or brown coloration…

What I learned

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