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Giant Earthworm

Megascolides australis

The Giant Earthworm, specifically the Giant Gippsland Earthworm, is one of the world's largest earthworm species, reaching lengths of up to 3 meters (almost 10 feet). This remarkable invertebrate is ...

Quick facts

Classification: Invertebrate

Family: Megascolecidae

Habitat: Moist, clay-rich soils in forested riverbanks

Diet: Detritivore

Conservation status: Vulnerable

Lifespan: 5–10 years

Weight: 200–500 grams

Scientific name: *Megascolides australis*

Did you know?

- The Giant Earthworm can live its entire life without ever coming to the surface, spending all its days in vast underground burrows.
- Giant Earthworms can stretch to over 3 meters in length but are only about 2 centimeters wide. They produce a faint gurgling sound as they move under...

What I learned
