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## Giant Spider Crab

*Macrocheira kaempferi*

The Giant Spider Crab is the largest known species of crab and boasts the greatest leg span of any arthropod, with legs that can stretch up to 3.8 meters (12 feet) from claw to claw. Native to the de...

### Quick facts

**Classification:** Invertebrate

**Family:** Inachidae

**Habitat:** Deep ocean waters

**Diet:** Omnivore

**Conservation status:** Not Evaluated

**Lifespan:** 50-100 years

**Weight:** 16-19 kg

**Scientific name:** *Macrocheira kaempferi*

### Did you know?

- The Giant Spider Crab holds the record for the longest leg span of any marine arthropod, outstretching even the largest land spiders.
- Giant Spider Crabs can regenerate lost limbs, which helps them survive in their harsh environment. During spring, thousands migrate to shallower wate...

### What I learned

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