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Animal Fact Sheet

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Giant Water Scavenger Beetle

Hydrophilus triangularis

The Giant Water Scavenger Beetle is one of the largest aquatic beetles in North America, notable for its shiny, dark brown to black body and robust size. Adapted for life in freshwater habitats, it p…

Quick facts

Classification: Invertebrate
Family: Hydrophilidae
Habitat: Freshwater
Diet: Omnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 1-3 years
Weight: 2-4 grams
Scientific name: Hydrophilus triangularis

Did you know?

- The Giant Water Scavenger Beetle can trap an air bubble under its wing covers, allowing it to breathe underwater for extended periods.
- Despite their size and predatory nature, Giant Water Scavenger Beetles can produce a squeaking sound when disturbed by rubbing parts of their abdomen…

What I learned

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