

# Animal Fact Sheet

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## Iberian Ribbed Newt

*Pleurodeles waltl*

The Iberian Ribbed Newt is a large aquatic amphibian native to the central and southern Iberian Peninsula and Morocco. Recognized for its olive-brown, flattened body and distinctive orange-tipped rib...

### Quick facts

**Classification:** Amphibian

**Family:** Salamandridae

**Habitat:** Freshwater ponds, lakes, and slow-moving streams

**Diet:** Carnivore

**Conservation status:** Near Threatened

**Lifespan:** 10-15 years

**Weight:** 25-55 grams

**Scientific name:** *Pleurodeles waltl*

### Did you know?

- When threatened, the Iberian Ribbed Newt can literally push its ribs through its skin to pierce predators and deliver toxins, all while healing these...
- Iberian Ribbed Newts can regenerate limbs, tails, and even parts of their heart and eye. They are also unique among amphibians for their rib-based de...

### What I learned

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