

Animal Fact Sheet

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Japanese Giant Salamander

Andrias japonicus

The Japanese Giant Salamander is one of the largest amphibians in the world, capable of reaching lengths up to 1.5 meters. It is a nocturnal, fully aquatic species that inhabits cool, fast-flowing streams and rivers.

Quick facts

Classification: Amphibian

Family: Cryptobranchidae

Habitat: Cold, fast-flowing streams and rivers

Diet: Carnivore

Conservation status: Near Threatened

Lifespan: 50-70 years

Weight: 20-30 kg

Scientific name: *Andrias japonicus*

Did you know?

- The Japanese Giant Salamander is considered a living fossil, having changed little since the time of the dinosaurs.
- The Japanese Giant Salamander can regenerate lost limbs and even parts of its organs. It communicates by making low, barking noises underwater. Despite...

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