

Animal Fact Sheet

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Lined Shore Crab

Pachygrapsus crassipes

The lined shore crab is a small, robust crab native to the Pacific coasts of North America, ranging from Alaska to Baja California. Its carapace is squarish and typically olive green or brown, adorned with white lines.

Quick facts

Classification: Invertebrate

Family: Grapsidae

Habitat: Rocky intertidal zones along the Pacific coastline

Diet: Omnivore

Conservation status: Least Concern

Lifespan: 2-3 years

Weight: 10-30 grams

Scientific name: *Pachygrapsus crassipes*

Did you know?

- Despite their small size, lined shore crabs can climb vertical rock faces using the tiny, hooked hairs on their legs.
- Lined shore crabs are highly territorial and will often raise their claws in a defensive display to ward off rivals. They are able to survive both un...

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