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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, adorne…

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…

What I learned

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