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Animal Fact Sheet

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Northern alligator lizard

Elgaria coerulea

The Northern alligator lizard is a slender, medium-sized reptile native to the Pacific Northwest of North America. Characterized by its keeled scales, long body, and distinctive lateral fold along ea…

Quick facts

Classification: Reptile
Family: Anguidae
Habitat: Temperate forests and woodlands
Diet: Carnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 5-10 years
Weight: 10-20 grams
Scientific name: Elgaria coerulea

Did you know?

- Despite their name, Northern alligator lizards are not related to true alligators; their name comes from their rough, armored appearance and elongate…
- Northern alligator lizards are excellent climbers and can often be found in shrubs or low branches. They are capable of dropping their tail to escape…

What I learned

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