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Ping-pong tree sponge

Chondrocladia lampadiglobus

The ping-pong tree sponge is a deep-sea sponge known for its unique appearance, resembling a tiny tree adorned with ping-pong ball-like spheres. These white, globular structures are actually speciali...

Quick facts

Classification: Invertebrate

Family: Cladorhizidae

Habitat: Deep ocean

Diet: Carnivore

Conservation status: Not Evaluated

Lifespan: Unknown; likely several decades

Weight: Up to 100 grams

Scientific name: *Chondrocladia lampadiglobus*

Did you know?

- Some of the ping-pong tree sponge's relatives can emit bioluminescence, though this particular species is not known to glow.
- Unlike most sponges that filter plankton from water, the ping-pong tree sponge traps and digests small animals such as crustaceans. Its spherical app...

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