

# Animal Fact Sheet

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## Rock Barnacle

*Semibalanus balanoides*

The Rock Barnacle is a small, cone-shaped crustacean that attaches itself permanently to hard surfaces in the intertidal zone. It has a tough, calcareous shell made up of overlapping plates that prot...

### Quick facts

**Classification:** Invertebrate

**Family:** Balanidae

**Habitat:** Intertidal rocky shores

**Diet:** Filter feeder

**Conservation status:** Least Concern

**Lifespan:** 5-10 years

**Weight:** 0.2-2 grams

**Scientific name:** *Semibalanus balanoides*

### Did you know?

- Rock Barnacles can withstand being out of water for several hours at a time, thanks to their ability to seal in moisture with their tightly closing s...
- Rock Barnacles cement themselves to rocks using a natural glue that is one of the strongest adhesives known in nature. They are hermaphroditic and ca...

### What I learned

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