

# Animal Fact Sheet

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## Scallop

*Pecten maximus*

The scallop is a marine bivalve mollusk recognized for its distinctive fan-shaped shell and the ability to swim by rapidly clapping its shells together. Scallops are found in oceans worldwide, partic...

### Quick facts

**Classification:** Invertebrate

**Family:** Pectinidae

**Habitat:** Ocean

**Diet:** Filter feeder

**Conservation status:** Least Concern

**Lifespan:** 5-20 years

**Weight:** 0.1-0.5 kg

**Scientific name:** *Pecten maximus*

### Did you know?

- Unlike most bivalves, scallops are active swimmers, not just sedentary dwellers.
- Scallops can swim by rapidly snapping their shells together, propelling themselves away from predators. They have up to 200 tiny blue eyes lining the...

### What I learned

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