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Animal Fact Sheet

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Sea lemon nudibranch

Doris montereyensis

The sea lemon nudibranch is a colorful and distinctive species of sea slug found along the Pacific coast of North America. It is known for its bright yellow, sometimes spotted body, which often resem…

Quick facts

Classification: Invertebrate
Family: Doridae
Habitat: Rocky intertidal and subtidal zones of the northeastern Pacific Ocean
Diet: Carnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 1-2 years
Weight: Up to 80 grams
Scientific name: Doris montereyensis

Did you know?

- Despite their soft bodies and lack of a protective shell, sea lemon nudibranchs are rarely eaten by predators due to the toxic compounds they accumul…
- Sea lemon nudibranchs emit a citrus-like scent when handled, giving rise to their common name. They are hermaphroditic, possessing both male and fema…

What I learned

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