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Animal Fact Sheet

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Spotted Pufferfish

Arothron nigropunctatus

The Spotted Pufferfish, also known as the Blackspotted Puffer or Dog-faced Puffer, is a medium-sized marine fish recognized for its round body and prominent black spots scattered over a pale or yello…

Quick facts

Classification: Fish
Family: Tetraodontidae
Habitat: Coral reefs and lagoons
Diet: Omnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 10-15 years
Weight: 300-600 grams
Scientific name: Arothron nigropunctatus

Did you know?

- Unlike most fish, spotted pufferfish do not have scales but a tough, leathery skin for added protection.
- Spotted pufferfish can inflate their bodies to nearly double their size when threatened. They possess tetrodotoxin, a powerful neurotoxin, in their o…

What I learned

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