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Animal Fact Sheet

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Turban Shell

Turbo marmoratus

The Turban Shell is a large marine gastropod mollusk known for its thick, rounded, and beautifully spiraled shell that resembles a turban. Its shell, often greenish with mottled patterns, can reach u…

Quick facts

Classification: Invertebrate
Family: Turbinidae
Habitat: Coral reefs and rocky shorelines
Diet: Herbivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 10-30 years
Weight: 200-500 grams
Scientific name: Turbo marmoratus

Did you know?

- The operculum of the turban shell was historically used as an inlay material in decorative arts and is still collected today for its beauty.
- Turban shells produce a thick, flat operculum commonly called 'cat's eye,' which is used in crafts and jewelry. Their unique shell structure provides…

What I learned

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