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Animal Fact Sheet

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Venus flytrap sea anemone

Actinoscyphia aurelia

The Venus flytrap sea anemone is a deep-sea invertebrate named for its striking resemblance to the carnivorous Venus flytrap plant. It has a large, cup-shaped body with tentacles that curve inward, e…

Quick facts

Classification: Invertebrate
Family: Actinoscyphiidae
Habitat: Deep ocean
Diet: Carnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: Unknown, estimated 10-50 years
Weight: Up to 1 kg
Scientific name: Actinoscyphia aurelia

Did you know?

- Despite its plant-like appearance, the Venus flytrap sea anemone is a predatory animal that uses stinging cells to immobilize its prey.
- The Venus flytrap sea anemone lives at depths exceeding 1,000 meters, where sunlight cannot reach. Its tentacles can close rapidly around prey, much …

What I learned

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