

Animal Fact Sheet

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Warty Sea Cucumber

Apostichopus parvimensis

The Warty Sea Cucumber is a soft-bodied, elongated invertebrate found primarily along the Pacific coasts of North America. Its body is covered in distinct, wart-like projections, giving it a rough an...

Quick facts

Classification: Invertebrate

Family: Stichopodidae

Habitat: Rocky reefs and kelp forests along the eastern Pacific Ocean

Diet: Detritivore

Conservation status: Least Concern

Lifespan: 5-10 years

Weight: 200-400 grams

Scientific name: *Apostichopus parvimensis*

Did you know?

- Warty Sea Cucumbers breathe through their anus, using a unique respiratory tree structure to extract oxygen from the water.
- Warty Sea Cucumbers eject sticky threads, called Cuvierian tubules, as a defense mechanism against predators. Despite their unassuming appearance, th...

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