

# Animal Fact Sheet

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## Weedy seadragon

*Phyllopteryx taeniolatus*

The weedy seadragon is a striking marine fish native to the waters of southern Australia. Distinguished by its leaf-like appendages and elongated, slender body, it blends seamlessly with seaweed and ...

### Quick facts

**Classification:** Fish

**Family:** Syngnathidae

**Habitat:** Temperate coastal reefs and seagrass beds

**Diet:** Carnivore

**Conservation status:** Near Threatened

**Lifespan:** 6-10 years

**Weight:** 45-90 grams

**Scientific name:** *Phyllopteryx taeniolatus*

### Did you know?

- Weedy seadragons lack a stomach and must eat almost constantly to survive.
- Male weedy seadragons carry and incubate the eggs on their tails until hatching. They are masters of camouflage, often remaining motionless among sea...

### What I learned

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