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Yeti Crab

Kiwa hirsuta

The Yeti Crab, scientifically known as *Kiwa hirsuta*, is a deep-sea crustacean discovered in 2005 near hydrothermal vents in the South Pacific Ocean. This unique animal is characterized by its pale, a...

Quick facts

Classification: Invertebrate

Family: Kiwaidae

Habitat: Deep-sea hydrothermal vents

Diet: Omnivore

Conservation status: Data Deficient

Lifespan: Unknown (estimated several years)

Weight: Approximately 300-500 grams

Scientific name: *Kiwa hirsuta*

Did you know?

- Unlike most crabs, the Yeti Crab is nearly blind and relies heavily on touch and chemical cues to navigate its dark, high-pressure environment.
- *Kiwa hirsuta* was only discovered in 2005, making it one of the most recently known deep-sea species. Its hairy pincers are so distinctive that it was...

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