

# Marine Molluscs

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Marine molluscs are cold-blooded creatures with soft bodies and no backbones. Lots of them have a shell but some do not. There are lots of different types of molluscs including snails, clams, oysters, squid and octopuses.



**Fascinating Facts**  
The giant squid has the biggest eyes of all molluscs  
Scientists believe octopuses are very intelligent creatures.

**Where Do They Live?**  
Marine molluscs live on and around rocks, coral reef and sandy beaches. Some also live in the deepest parts of the ocean. Like fish, not all molluscs can live in saltwater and some prefer to live in freshwater such as rivers, lakes and ponds.

**What Do They Eat?**  
Molluscs eat different foods. Some eat plants that grow in the sea or algae from the side of rocks. Others eat shellfish and even small fish.

**Staying Safe**  
Molluscs such as the octopus squirt a cloud of purple-black ink to their enemies, which confuses them and helps the mollusc to escape. This ink is also poisonous to enemies such as sharks.

Some molluscs have a shell which keeps them safe. If they are disturbed or feel threatened they will disappear inside their shell.

**Remember**  
Marine molluscs are truly fascinating creatures and they can be found in many areas that you may be exploring such as rocks and sandy beaches, so keep your eyes open. Try not to scare them and keep safe!

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