

Cuttlefish

Fact sheet



What are they?

From the Cephalopod family (along with squid and octopus), the cuttlefish has 8 arms and 2 longer tentacles to help them eat. They have a thick internal shell called a cuttlebone.

Where do they live?

You can find Australian cuttlefish in our southern coastal waters.

What do they eat?

They eat small fish, crabs and other crustaceans.

Do they lay eggs?

Yes, the female cuttle can lay up to 300 eggs during breeding season.

Fun fact!

Cuttlefish can change the colour of their skin and the texture! They do this according to their mood and during breeding season. This means they can use their skin to attract a mate or to camouflage themselves!



Fun fact!

Cuttlefish have three hearts! One for their whole body and one for each of their gills.

