

Octopus Facts



What do they look like?

The body of an octopus looks like a bag. It also has a rounded head, large eyes, and eight arms which are called tentacles. The tentacles of the octopus have suckers. The tentacles also have many nerves which allow the octopus to grab and taste things. An octopus has three hearts and their blood is blue. Also, an octopus has beaklike jaws that can deliver a nasty bite. The saliva of the octopus contains venom, which makes it poisonous.

Where do they live?

The octopus can only be found in salt water, but they live in all the oceans. The octopuses that live in warm waters tend to be small. The ones that live in colder waters are much larger.

What do they eat?

The octopus preys on crabs, crayfish, and mollusks, and will sometimes use their ink to disorient their victims before attacking. They hunt mostly at night.

Did you know?

The body of the octopus can also squeeze through very small cracks, which helps them to escape a situation that is threatening. If the octopus is caught, it can give up an arm to the predator and grow it back.