

Ascidia mentula Müller, 1776

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Biota (Superdominio) > Ascidia (Genero)



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Identifying features

- Large elongate body over 18 cm long.
- Thick, cartilaginous, translucent test.
- Usually red-pink or greenish-olive green but can be grey in deeper waters.
- Attached to the substratum on its left side.
- Small siphons; exhalant terminal, inhalant half to three quarters down the body.

Synonyms

- Ascidia alderi* Alder & Hancock, 1912
Ascidia crassa Alder & Hancock, 1912
Ascidia plana Alder & Hancock, 1912
Ascidia robusta Alder & Hancock, 1912
Ascidia rubicunda Alder & Hancock, 1912
Ascidia rubrotincta Alder & Hancock, 1912
Ascidia rudis Alder & Hancock, 1912

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