

Shrimp



There are many kinds of shrimp. Shrimp are an important kind of food for ocean animals and people around the world.

BLUE SHRIMP (*Penaeus stylirostris*)

LENGTH: 9 inches (23 cm), carapace 3.23 inches (5.9 cm)

FOUND: Eastern Pacific from Mexico to Peru, including Gulf of California

HOME: Usually up to 89 feet (27 m) down, but can live deep as 148 feet (45 m)

HABITAT: Blue shrimp live in the mud on the ocean floor.

FACT: People use nets in- and off-shore to catch blue shrimp. Blue shrimp are shipped to the United States and other countries. It is sold fresh, cooked, dried, and frozen.

BLUE SHRIMP ARE ALSO CALLED BLUE PRAWNS

Vaquita and totoaba are accidentally caught in nets set for shrimp and other animals. **Help save vaquita and other ocean animals by eating sustainably caught seafood.** Learn more about sustainable seafood in WhaleTimes "What is Sustainable Seafood?" fact sheet.

