

Key Flowchart for Asian Shore Crab Identification

Scan to Report



Found on a
rocky beach

Rounded body
shape

Square or triangular
body shape



Burrowing Shore Crab
Leptograpsodes octodentatus
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European Shore Crab
Carcinus maenas
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Body length
over 5 cm

Body length
under 5 cm

Hairless legs

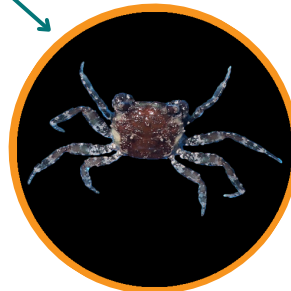
Hairy legs



Smooth-handed Crab
Pilumnopus serratifrons
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Banded legs

No banded legs



Little Shore Crab
Brachynotus spinosus
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No spots
on claws

Spotted claws

Polka-dotted
claws



Haswell's Shore Crab
Helograpsus haswellianus
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Four-toothed Shore Crab
Paragrapsus quadridentatus
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No spines

2 spines

3 spines



Purple-mottled Shore Crab
Cyclograpsus granulosus
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Mottled Shore Crab
Paragrapsus laevis
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Asian Shore Crab
Hemigrapsus sanguineus
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Variations of Traits for Crabs

Abdominal Flap



Male

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Female

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Female in Berry

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Body Shape



Square

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Rounded

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Triangular

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Legs



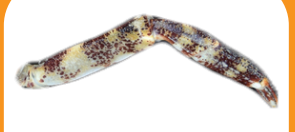
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Spots

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Banding

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Claws



No Spots

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Spots

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Polka-Dots

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Spines by the Eyes



Spines

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