

BARNACLES FROM THE VAULTS

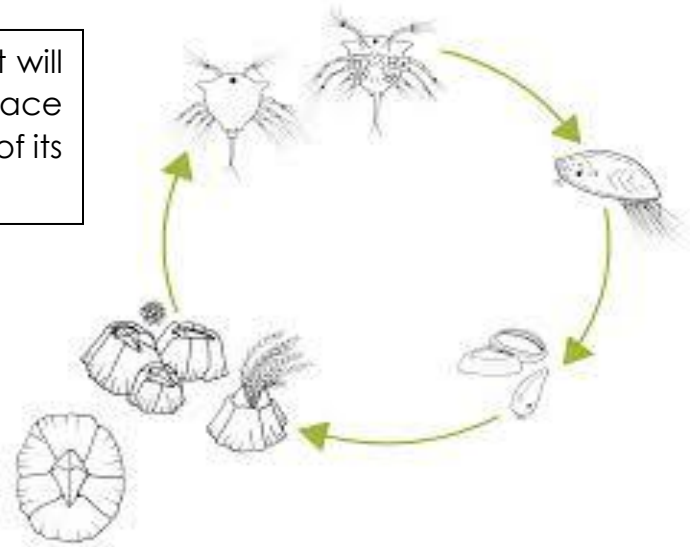
A barnacle begins life as a free-swimming larva but will eventually permanently cement itself to a solid surface where it secretes its shell and spends the remainder of its life usually in a colony with other barnacles.



Over a 1000 known species of barnacles are known to exist. Some may live up to 20 years. The most common barnacle is the Acorn barnacle and the most common place to find these crustaceans are in tidal pools.



Like their distant relatives, the crabs and lobsters, barnacles are crustaceans.



Barnacles are filter-feeders and stick out their feathery feet called "cirri" from the opening atop the shell in order to trap microscopic food particles such as plankton and algae in the water currents.



The cement adult barnacles produce in order to attach themselves to surfaces are among the strongest natural glues known to exist!



Barnacle on Coral Craft

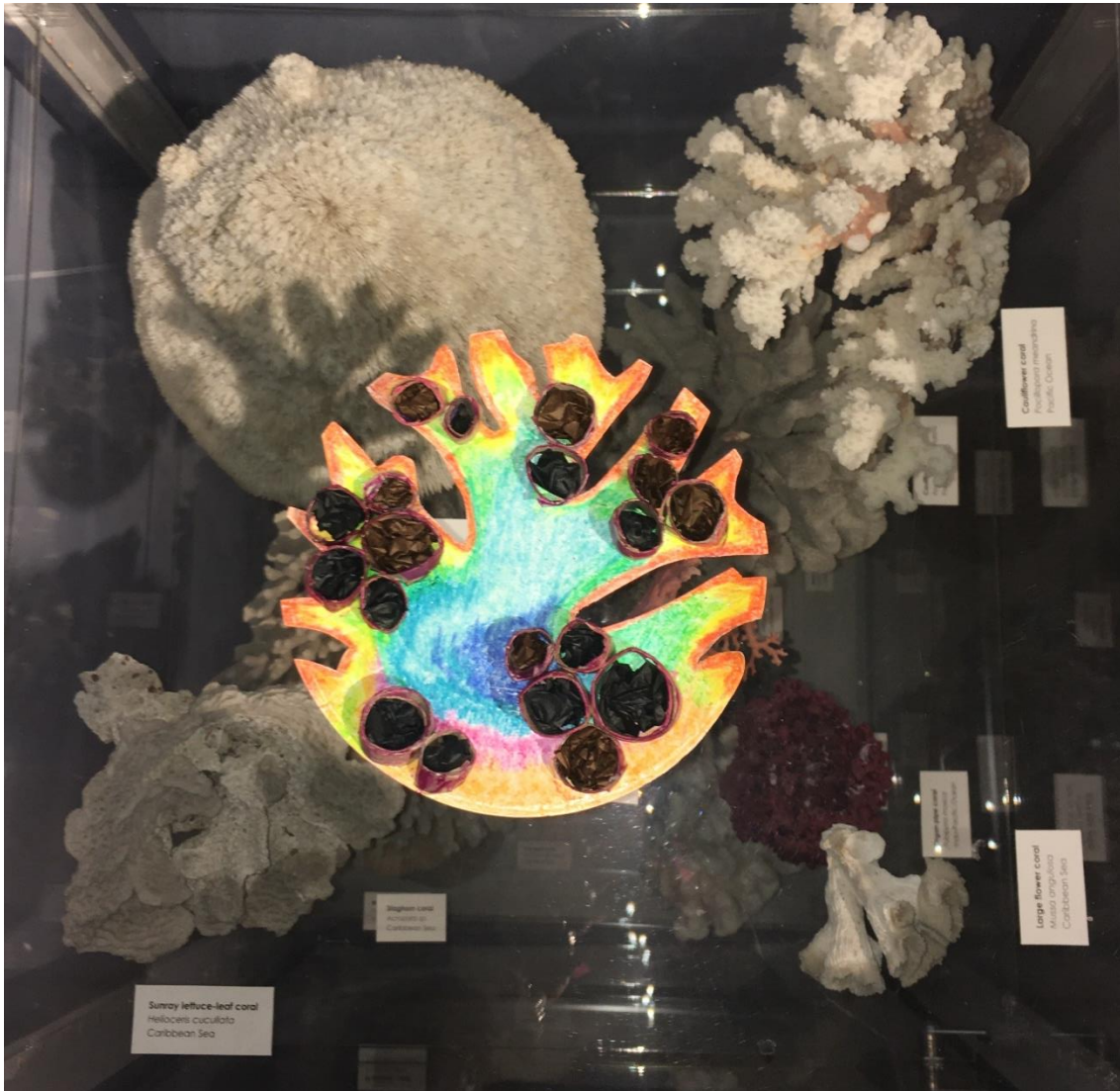
Supplies:

- Toilet Paper Rolls
- Tape/Scissors/Glue
- Construction Paper
- Tissue Paper
- Coral Template



Instructions:

1. You may make your own or use the coral template provided to trace and cut out a coral design. Decorate as desired.
2. Cut the toilet paper rolls the short way to make perfect circles. Take those circles and cut them one more time, form smaller circles and attach to your coral.
3. Crumble small pieces of tissue paper and put in the attached holes.



CORAL TEMPLATE

