Cephalopods



Cephalopods have an internal shell.

Their heavy head is surrounded by tentacles supplied with mighty suckers.

Manto con masa visceral Morfología Ojo ("cabeza") externa de un cefalópodo Pie (Pulpo)

Foot made by tentacles from the head.

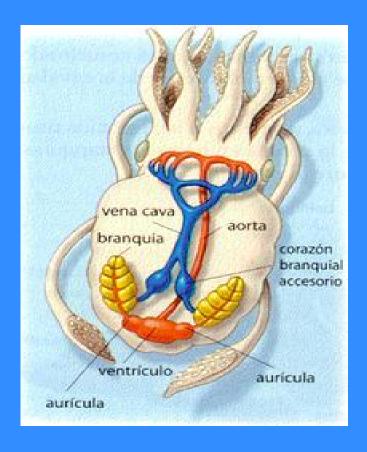
Blue blood, due to hemocianine.

Ink bag, which produces an obscure substance, the ink, to darken the water in order to capture their preys and escape the enemies.



A unique siphon, used to expel water, ink and excrements.

Locomotion based in movements of the fin as well as throwing water by the siphon.



Heart. made by two auricles and a ventricle.

Mouth with a double jaw called parrot beak.



Fishing arts for octopuses

The "nasas" are like cages which are thrown to the seafloor. The octopus uses to hide into such places, and if there is fish on the cage it is almost sure that he will be caught.



Fishing arts for the sepia.

Using a cane: between 3 and 3,60 metres, with a net bag to upload them until the place where we are, which is usually a harbour.

Dragging a female: The female is being dragged at the bottom of the harbour (mainly) and when she passes by a zone where a male sepia is, he embraces the female and both sepias can be taken out of the water without they loosening their hug.







Fishing arts for squids







Fishing art for the "lura" (a type of squid)

It is fished in the night with a line and without cane, using an artificial bait called "poteira"



Fishing art for the "choco" (cuttlefish)

Chocos are fished imuch like sepias, using also "poteiras"





Fishing art for "chipirón" (a small type of squid)

It is fished with cane and seton from the seashore, using an artificial bait.





FESTIVALS OF CEPHALOPODS IN GALICIA

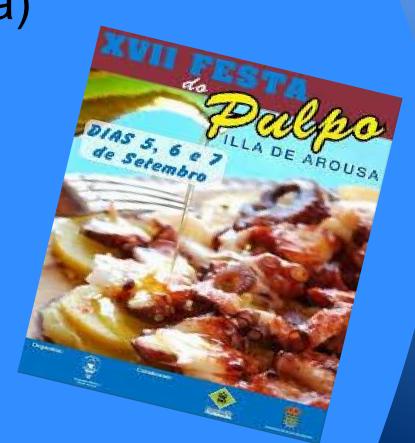
Octopus Feast in Bueu (Pontevedra)

Annual Fair, cellebrated in August



Octopus Festival in Arousa Island (Pontevedra)

The first week-end of september, in Porto do Xufre



Cuttlefish Feast in Redondela (Pontevedra)

Second week-end in Mai



Octopus Feast in O Carballiño (Ourense)

It is held in August



Taxonomy

Classifying cephalopods

subclass nautiloidea

They have external shells, which can be straight or spiralling; the sutures are not complex. The present species have tentacles without suckers. They have two pairs of gills and nephridia. This group dates from the Paleozoic but all of its members except *Nautilus* are currently extinct. About 2500 species are known, and it is divided in 12 orders.

Subclass Nautiloidea



Order Actinocerida



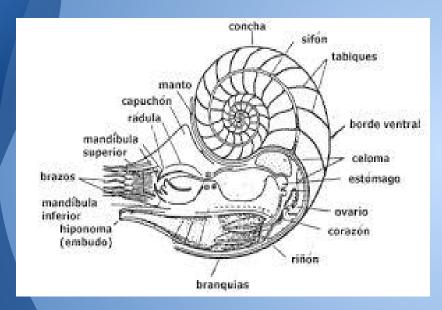
Order Endocerida

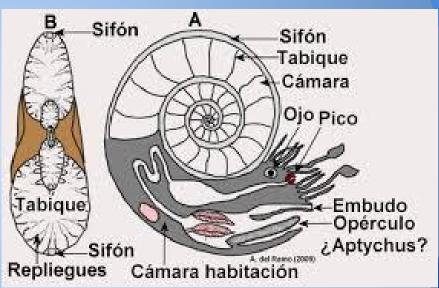
subclass ammonoidea

Fossil forms with external shells in spirals, with walls and complex sutures. They lived from the Siluric to the Cretacic.

Divided in 3 orders.

Subclass ammonoidea





Order Goniatitida

Order Ceratitida

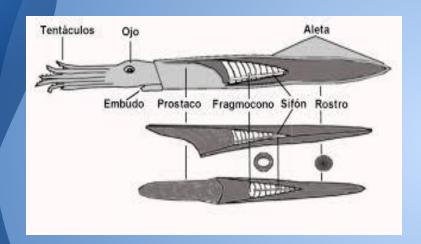
subclass coloidea

They have internal shells, which are reduced or even absent. They have eight or ten appendixes with suckers.

They lived from the Misisipiense until now.

This subclass is divided in five orders.

Subclass Coloidea



Cohort Neocoleoidea Order Boletzkyida

Cohort Belemnoidea
Order Belemnitida