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Blue spotted salamander size

Length: 10-14 cm. Blue-spotted salamands have a long tail and slender body. Their legs have relatively long legs (Conant and Collins 1998). They give their name blue and white spots and spots on the sides of the body and tail, as well as sometimes on the back. Their skin is blue-black (Conant and Collins 1998). Spots are also on the limbs and abdomen (Harding 1997). The abdomen can be either black or lighter shade than dorsum, but the air vent is usually black (Harding 1997). There is some difference in size between males and females. Males tend to be smaller than females; males also have flattened tails (Harding 1997). When the larvae are small and young, they have tail fins and outer zables to live in the water (Collicutt 1999). But once they have developed all four legs they appear to be dark brown, olive or grey. ectothermal heterothermic bilateral symmetry Blue-spotted salamanders are from eastern central North America and extend in a wide strip across the Atlantic provinces and northern New England. They are around the Great Lakes and as far west as central Manitoba. They reach as far north as James Bay, Ontario (Collicutt 1999). Blue-spotted salamands are mainly found in moist forests with sandy soil. They differ from other salamanders in that they are above ground during the warmer months (Harding 1997). During the day they remain outside the direct sunlight. They spend summers and fall into moist forests looking for food at night (Nova Scotia 1999). The life expectancy of the blue-spotted salamander is unknown. Both men and women become adults at about 2 years old. Salamander breeds in forest ponds and ditches. They breed in April in small reservoirs. The female lays as many as 500 eggs attached to underwater sticks, plants or rocks. It takes about 1 month for the eggs to hatch. Young salamander larvae have zyabras, as well as a large tail fin. In two weeks, the front legs are formed and in 3 weeks the hind limbs are formed. Between 3-5 cm in length, they turn into an adult form and leave the pond. When they transform in late summer, they loosen their outer clots and tail fins and develop their blue spots. (Collicut, 1999; Conant and Collins, 1998; Minton, 1972) Blue-spotted salamanders are nocturned and hunt down earthworms and small insects from beneath rotting logs. After warm rain, they can be found on the hunt on the forest floor, free from the coating. The small body size allows salamanders to hide well, and blue spots help break the contour of the body. Glands on the tail produce a breast-toxic liquid that is released when it is threatened. The blue-spotted salamander holds her tail up and curved over her body as she terrified. If a predator attacks the tail, it gets sticky secretion in the mouth. (Collicut, 1999) Terricolious night retina single blue-spotted salamander is carnivorous. An adult eats worms, snails, slugs, insects, centenarians, spiders and other invertebrates. Larvae eat small aquatic invertebrates such as water fleas (masons), copepods, insects and insect larvae, especially mosquito larvae (Harding 1997). The diet suggests that the feed pad is under sheet litter in the forests (Collicut 1999). In captivity, blue-spotted salamanders survive on 1 worm per week (Collicut 1999). Blue-spotted Salamanders consume many mosquitoes every year (Harding 1997). Because of the loss of wetlands and the destruction of forests, salamanders are at risk in many states. Michigan is one of the only states where blue-spotted Salamanders are still very common. Blue-spotted salamander can breed with spotted salamander, Jefferson salamander and tiger salamander, creating hybrids. David Armitage (editor), Animal Diversity Web. Melissa Donato (author), Michigan State University, James Harding (editor), Michigan State University. Canadian Center for Oral Waters (CCI) (On-line). This was edited on 1999. Collicutt, D. 1999. Northern Zone of Nature (On-line). This was edited on www.pangea.ca/rnnz/spring/creature/bluespot/Fblspot.html 1999. Conant, R., J. Wilson 1998. Reptiles and amphibians in East/Central North America. New York: Houghton Mofflin Company. Harding, J.K. Rowling Amphibians and reptiles of the Great Lakes region. Michigan: University of Michigan Press. Minton, S. 1972. Amphibians and reptiles of Indiana. Indiana: Indiana Academy of Sciences. Spolsky, Ky., K. Phillips, T. Uzzell. 1992. Ginogenetic reproduction in hybrid mole salamanders. Evolution, 46(6): 1935-1943. As winter brings to an end, perhaps there is no more true reminder of the onset of spring than the return of amphibians to forest vernal basins. Among the earliest arrivals is the endangered state of blue-spotted salamander. Typical habitat of blue-spotted salamanders. The blue-spotted salamander, Ambystoma laterale, is a member of a salamander family called mole salamanders, spending most of their lives underground in abandoned small burrows of mammals either under rocks or logs. Blue-spotted salamanders, averaging between 3 1/2 and 5 1/2 inches long, are stouts and have a wide head with a wide mouth. They have a dark background color with light blue fleking. Blue-spotted salamanders have a very limited range in New Jersey, which occurs only in the Passaic River Basin and in several remote locations in Warren and Sussex counties. Because of their endangered status and predominantly underground existence, they are not often found. Most likely, they are observed during spring migrations to temporary wetlands who know as vernal pools. Pools with Vernal Vernal depression without entry or output flow. They are reservoirs due to the collection of surface water from precipitation or flooding or crossing with seasonally high groundwater. As these sources change dramatically throughout the year, the depth of water changes with the seasons. By the end of summer spring pools completely dry up. This excludes the creation of a resident fish population, but the vernal basins function in the same way as a small pond for the entire 9 months of the year. As the blue-spotted salamanders evolved, they developed adaptations that made it possible to breed in these temporary pools to avoid the pressure and danger of predatory fish. One of the most obvious adaptations is the extremely early start of the breeding season, allowing the species to make the most of the limited betting period. As soon as early March rains thyrant the earth, adults come out of their underground dwellings and embark on night migrations up to 200 feet long to reach the vernal basin - usually instinctively returning to the same pool from which they were born. Another adaptation is the explosive pace of the breeding season, which lasts only three days and rarely exceeds 2 or 3 weeks. During this short period, adult courts and mate and women will lay a modest 200 or fewer singular eggs or in small clusters on leaf droppings or twigs on the pool floor. Typical of amphibians, parental care is absent, and adults quickly return to the forest, often returning to the same burrow in which they had previously taken refuge. Zoom+ Blue-spotted salamander. © Of George Severa And now, the real race for survival is on! Despite the cold, the eggs ripen for one month and hatch in a quarter of an inch of larvae. Bushy larvae literally mouth with a tail, and over the next 2-3 months will consume any living organism they can fit in their ever-growing mouths. Zoplankton and small water invertebrates support them up to a size of 1 to 2 inches. At the moment, their lungs have finally developed and they can metamorph into terrestrial juvenile salamanders no longer dependent on the pool. This is a risk-filled reproductive strategy. Sometimes seasonal rainfall and weather anomalies, such as droughts, cause the vernal basin to dry out too early before any of the salamander larvae are able to mature. But by adapting to a breeding ecosystem that cannot be used by most other amphibians, blue-spotted salamanders allow their offspring to evolve in an environment with significantly reduced risks of predation or competition for resources. The current endangered status of blue-spotted salamanders reflects the fact that both the spring habitats on which they depend for reproduction and the mature forest in which they reside until the rest of the year have often affected the development or fragmentation of habitat. salamanders are a wonderful species and an important component of New Jersey's natural heritage. Their appearance at this time of year with their winter dens reminds us that spring always follows winter, bringing with it the promise of a new season. written by John Heilferty, director of Env. Specialist, NJ DEP Find Related Information: Biology of amphibian Blue-Spotted Salamanders (Click image sketches for large photographs.) Salamanders are a large group (about 300 species worldwide) of tailed amphibians (Amphibian Class, Order: Kaoudat). They are cold-blooded animals, but unlike reptiles, do not bask to try to change their internal temperatures. Their thin skins should remain moist (many species can draw oxygen through their skin, and all draw moisture through their skin), so most salamanders live repulsive lives, hiding under plant droppings, rocks or fallen logs, and appear only on wet nights. All salamands are fleshy, eating a wide range of insects and small invertebrates. Larger, aquatic salamands can eat fish or other amphibians. Most salamanders are terrestrial as adults, returning to breeding-only water and laying eggs. Some species are completely aquatic (mud and inferny rocks), and some spend part of their adult life on land, then return to the water (novelties). The word salamander comes from an Arabic term meaning living on fire. It was once believed that these amphibians could walk through fire, unharmed. Salamanders are heard probing vibrations in the ground. They have good vision and a good sniff. Unlike their relatives, frogs and frogs, they produce no sounds. Many species produce horrific or toxic skin secretions as a means of protection and are often brightly colored to declare their trouble or poisonous nature to predators. Salamanders regularly sat skin and almost invariably eat it to restore nutrients. Description The blue-spotted Salamander (Ambystoma laterale) is a small critter. A large adult will only be about 12cm long, 40% of that tail and his body is only about 1cm wide. The coloration is shiny black, as is lacquered skin, with dusty blue spots mainly on the sides and abdomen. It is a slimmer built and much smaller salamander than other terrestrial species of Manitoba. The Barred Tiger Salamander (Ambystoma mavortium) and Salamander's East Tiger (A. tigrinum). Our other salamanders, Mud Cloaks (Necturus maculosus) are waterborne, and never leaves water. Descriptions of these species can be found in the Manitoba Herps atlas. Classification of taxonomic classification of blue-spotted salamanders is as following: Kingdom: Animalia Phylum: Chordata Class: Amphibia Order: Caudata (tail amphibians) Family: Ambystomatidae (mole salamanders) Reed: Ambystoma Species: laterale Name Derivative Scientific: Ambistoma, descended from The Greek Ambix or Ambikos or rounded top of the cup, or perhaps Ambles - blunt; and, also from Greek, a stoma that means mouth. So, I think Ambistoma refers to a rounded, bowl-like mouth of this kind of salamander. lattes , latin, latus, for lateral or flank. Referring to stains on the sides of the critter. Common: The common name of this species, the Blue-Spotted Salamander, makes sense. Its most striking feature is its blue spots. The blue-spotted Salamander spread takes place in eastern central NSW in a wide strip stretching from Atlantic provinces and northern New England, around the Great Lakes, and as far west as central Manitoba. It hits James Bay in northern Ontario, but all the sources I found suggested that the extent of its northern range was not adequately determined. In Manitob, the species is found in the southeastern corner of our province, east of the Red River and as far north as the narrow Lake Winnipeg. However, this is a very cryptic species, and one for which intensive inventory has not occurred. There is likely to be an expansion of its known range in this province for some time to come. (Do any of you guys or gals to the north ever stumble upon a blue spotted Salamander? if so, let us know!) Habitat These are forest rocks that are likely confined to areas of wet forest bottom, near lakes, jets and wetlands in areas with mixed forests (deciduous and coniferous trees together). It breeds in ephemeral, snow-melting ponds like those used by tree frogs, and in small permanent fish-free reservoirs. Populations There are no available estimates of the population density of blue-spotted Salamanders. It is not a widely studied species, and its cryptographic nature makes it very difficult to gather data. Blue-spotted salamanders should be the focus of more research in this province. (Something Manitoba Grass Atlas can contribute to!) Life cycle Blue-spotted salamanders multiply in early spring, from April to mid-May, in small reservoirs. Adults come out of hibernation (see below) and gather in reservoirs. Most of the withering activity probably occurs at night. For most salamanders, males use a combination of pheromones and visual displays to attract females in close proximity. The blue-spotted has a long courtship where the male holds onto the female front legs and shakes his chin over his head. The male lays a packet of sperm (sperm) at the bottom of the pond, and tries to draw the female on top of it. She then takes it from her cloak (urogenital hole) and fertilizes the eggs internally. Females lay eggs as much as 500, individually or small beams at the base of sticks, plants or stones in a pond. Eggs take about a month to hatch, depending on the water temperature. When hatching larvae have well-developed eyes, mouths,

outer eyes and a wide wide range swimmer so they can see the lungs and bind to the tiny aquatic animals they feed on, such as daphnia, copepods or other invertebrates. As the larvae age, they look like tiny adult salamanders, except they have wide fins on their tails for bathing, as well as feathery, outer zyabras. The front limbs appear when they are about 2 weeks old and the hind limbs are visible after about 3 weeks. Insect larvae and larger aquatic invertebrates are more important in their diet once they reach about 2cm in length. They grow to about 3-4 cm in length, then turn into an adult form and leave the pond, usually until the end of July to mid-August. Some authors have suggested that larvae turn when they are 5cm, up to as much as 8cm long. Like other amphibians, the exact amount of time it takes to reach a size where they can transform, and even the final size at which they are transformed will vary depending on the availability of food and other conditions. They lose outer zyabras and tail fins, and get their adult coloring before leaving the pond. They are believed to require about two years to reach the size of adults. How long they live is any guess. Other ambromide salamanders can live more than 10 years. Really weird stuff: A salamander boy meets a salamander girl, sperm fertilizes an egg, a new salamander grows up. It's a happy little story about how most salamanders breed, and most other animals. But it seems that sometimes Mother Nature is tired of the same old, same old man. So, for evolutionary biologists to be busy, and happy, she occasionally throws a monkey wrench into things. That's the case. Enter Salamander Tremblayi. This occurs in the southern part of salamander's blue-spotted range. Salamanders have no male Tremblay, all of them females. Not only that, they're three-pills. That is, they have three sets of chromosom, instead of the usual two that have most animals, including us humans. And they multiply parthenogenesis: females lay eggs that do not need to be fertilized to begin to develop into a new embryo. They do, however, have to pair with male blue-spotted salamanders to stimulate their eggs to develop into embryos. (Still with me?) Tremblay's threeploid, all-female salamanders are sexual parasites on blue-spotted salamanders. The blue-spotted male wastes his time and sperm on Tremblay, which depend on having a former species to continue to exist. How did this situation? It is believed to have been the result of hybridization of blue-spotted salamanders with another physically similar and closely related species, Salamandera Jefferson (Ambystoma jeffersonianum). The range of these two species overlaps in eastern North America, with north and Jefferson to the south. By 1964, it was recognized that they were, in fact, Species. The relationship combined with incomplete meiosis (meiosis involves separating chromosomia pairs to produce eggs and sperm) has somehow led to the random origin of not only the Tremblay salamander, but another species, Silvery Salamander (Ambystoma platineum). Tremblay has 3 chromosom kits, 2 of blue-spotted and 1 from Jefferson, while Silvery has 2 sets from Jefferson and 1 from Blue-spotted. Silvery is Jefferson's three-play all-female sexual parasite just like blue-spotted Tremblay. And you thought everything in nature was so well orderly and intelligent! Don't go back to Mother Nature! Help NatureNorth produce bigger articles: Continue more blue-spotted salamander biology! If you want to help save amphibians in Manitoba, then contact the Atlas of Manitoba Herps! When you find critter enter a record that will help build a database of species locations and natural history in the province. History.

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