

AXO THE AMAZING AXOLOTL

A Lindi Books Adventure



**Deep beneath Lake Xochimilco
lived Axo, a small hero
with one AMAZING power.**



CLANG! CLANG! CLANG!
A baby turtle was trapped
in the dangerous Deep Reeds!



**Axo zoomed into danger.
But the Scrap Crab blocked him
with two giant snapping claws!**



SNAP!
Axo twisted left.
The first claw missed his tail.



SNAP!
The second claw caught him.
Axo had lost a leg!



**But Axo did not give up.
His body began rebuilding
the missing leg—cell by cell!**



WHOOSH!
Axo's new leg was ready.
Now he had a plan.



**Axo swam faster and faster.
The robot spun around—
and tangled its own claws!**



**With his strong new leg,
Axo ripped the rings apart.
The baby turtle was FREE!**



**Axo pulled out its
trashy power core.
CLICK!
The Scrap Crab shut down.**



**Everyone joined the cleanup.
Trash left the lake.
Sunlight returned.**



AMAZING AXOLOTL FACTS

FOREVER YOUNG

Axolotls keep many baby features even when they become adults.

UNDERWATER EATERS

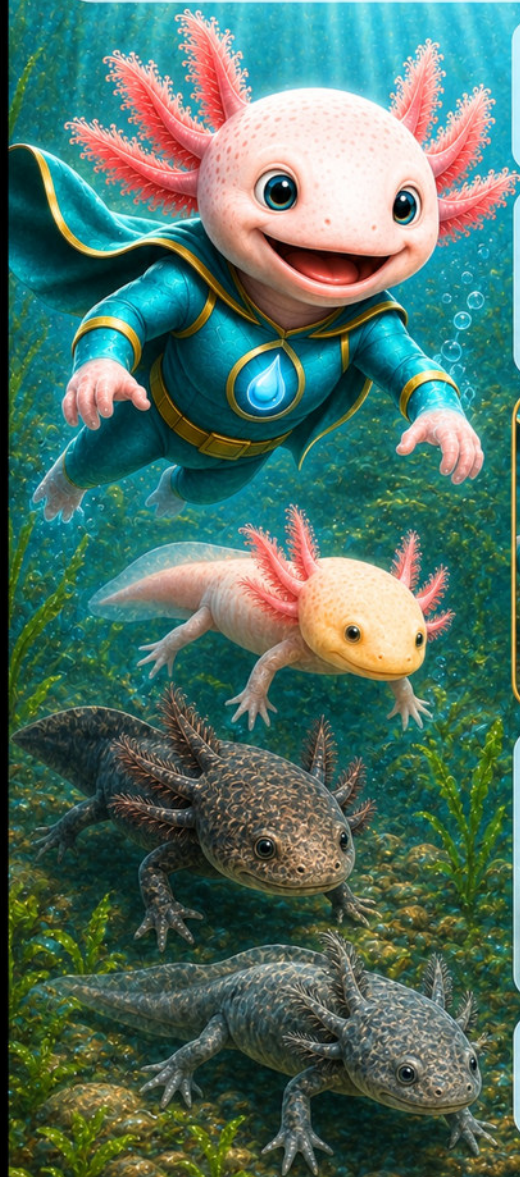
They gulp worms, insects, and small water animals with a quick vacuum-like bite.



Most adults are about 9 inches long.



With excellent care, pet axolotls may live 10 to 15 years.



MEET THE AXOLOTL

An axolotl is a kind of salamander. Unlike most salamanders, it stays in the water for its whole life.



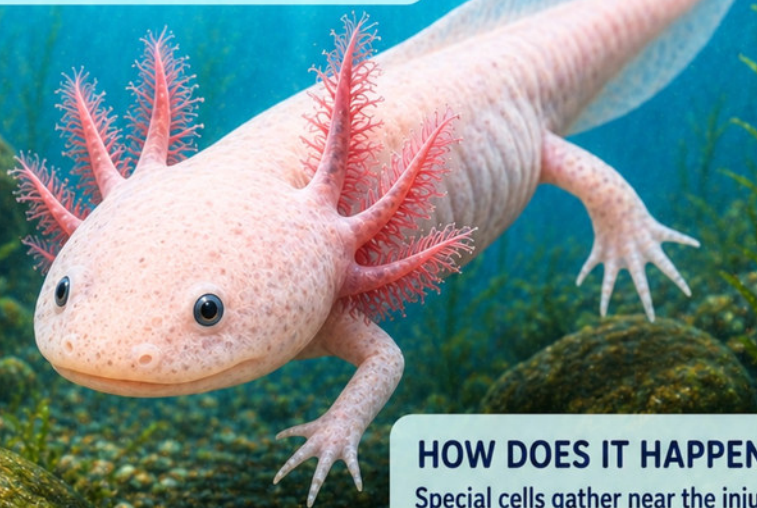
FEATHERY GILLS

The branches beside its head are gills. They pull oxygen from the water.

Axolotls can be pink, golden, gray, brown, or nearly black.

A REAL REGENERATION HERO

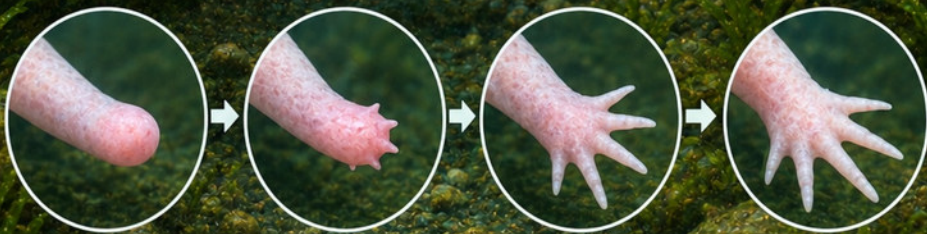
An axolotl can regrow a lost leg, part of its tail, and even some damaged parts inside its body.



HOW DOES IT HAPPEN?

Special cells gather near the injury. They build new bone, muscle, nerves, skin, and blood vessels.

The new limb may take weeks or months to grow. It is not instant!



AXOLOTL SUPER SENSES



Those feathery branches beside an axolotl's head are external gills.

They collect oxygen from the water.

Axolotls can also breathe through their skin and use small lungs!

PROTECT THEIR HOME



**Wild axolotls live only
in the canals of
Xochimilco, Mexico.**

**They are critically
endangered.**

**Pollution, habitat loss,
and invasive fish make
survival difficult.**

**Clean water gives wild
axolotls hope!**

MORE AMAZING TRUE FACTS



NO EYELIDS

Axolotls cannot blink because they do not have eyelids.



A GIANT GENOME

Their DNA instruction book is about 10 times larger than a human genome.



HELPING SCIENCE

Scientists study axolotls to learn how bodies heal and rebuild damaged parts.



**Small animal.
Enormous scientific importance!**

SEE AN AXOLOTL IN PERSON

You may find axolotls at accredited aquariums, zoos, and science centers.

Ask an adult to check the location's website before you visit.

LOOK—DON'T TOUCH

Axolotls have delicate skin. Watch quietly and follow the animal keeper's rules.

Never remove an axolotl from its wild home.



WHERE CAN I SEE AN AXOLOTL?



SAN DIEGO ZOO

San Diego, California
sandiegozoo.org

See Marsh Meadows
at Wildlife Explorers
Basecamp.



CALIFORNIA ACADEMY OF SCIENCES

San Francisco, California
calacademy.org

Find axolotls in the
Water Planet exhibit.



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Long Beach, California
aquariumofpacific.org



COMING FALL 2026 BIRCH AQUARIUM AT SCRIPPS

La Jolla, California
aquarium.ucsd.edu

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before visiting!**



★ DEDICATION ★

To all of you who will make a difference—
may you care for animals, protect their homes,
and use your own special gifts to help the world.

And to my son, whose love of aquariums
inspired wonder, learning, and this
underwater adventure.

May we never stop being amazed by the
beautiful creatures that share our planet.



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AXO

THE AMAZING AXOLOTL

An action-packed story
and a world of amazing facts—
all in one fun book!

Join Axo as he races through
danger, rescues a baby turtle,
and uses his incredible power
to regrow a lost limb.

Then discover true facts about
axolotls, their watery home,
their amazing bodies, and where
you may see one in person.

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