



**QUAHOG**  
*Mercenaria mercenaria*

### **Habitat**

They live under the sand and mud of marine coasts in saltwater bays and estuaries.

### **Food**

Plankton, algae, and micro-organisms

### **Predators**

Starfish, crabs, birds, and whelk

### **Reproduction**

The eggs are carried by river and ocean water currents.

### **Where are they today?**

There is a population in Jamaica Bay, Queens.