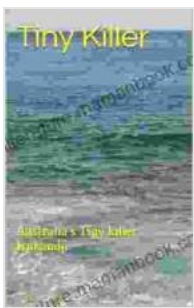


Australia's Tiny Killer: The Irukandji Jellyfish - A Comprehensive Guide

Australia is home to some of the most beautiful and deadly creatures on Earth. One such creature is the Irukandji jellyfish, a small but potent jellyfish that can cause severe pain and even death. This comprehensive guide will provide you with in-depth information about the Irukandji jellyfish, including its appearance, behavior, venom, first aid, and prevention measures.

Appearance

The Irukandji jellyfish is a small jellyfish, with a bell that is only about 1 centimeter in diameter. It has four long tentacles, each of which can be up to 1 meter long. The tentacles are covered in nematocysts, which are tiny stinging cells. The Irukandji jellyfish is transparent, making it difficult to see in the water.



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Behavior

The Irukandji jellyfish is a nocturnal predator. It hunts for small fish and crustaceans. The Irukandji jellyfish is not aggressive towards humans, but it will sting if it comes into contact with skin.

Venom

The Irukandji jellyfish's venom is one of the most potent in the world. It contains a neurotoxin that can cause severe pain, nausea, vomiting, and muscle cramps. In severe cases, the venom can cause respiratory failure and death.

First Aid

If you are stung by an Irukandji jellyfish, it is important to seek medical attention immediately. While waiting for medical help to arrive, there are a few things you can do to help relieve the pain and prevent serious complications:

- Remove any visible tentacles from the skin.
- Apply a cold compress to the sting.
- Take over-the-counter pain medication, such as ibuprofen or acetaminophen.
- Drink plenty of fluids.

Prevention

The best way to prevent being stung by an Irukandji jellyfish is to avoid swimming in areas where they are known to be present. If you are swimming in an area where Irukandji jellyfish are present, be sure to wear a full-body swimsuit and protective gear, such as a rash guard and snorkel mask. You should also avoid swimming during the night, as this is when Irukandji jellyfish are most active.

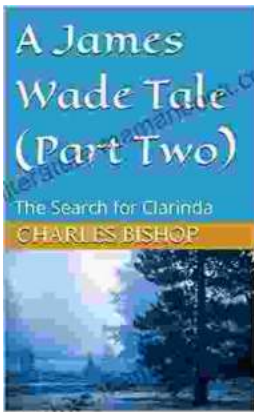
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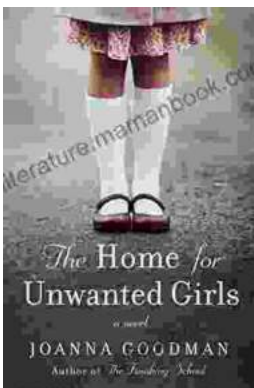


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