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"SEA GOOSEGERRY COMB JELLY"



Despite their delicate appearance, they are voracious predators, feeding on tiny fish eggs and larvae and even other sea gooseberries. Prey is caught via the tentacles, which act as a net and bear adhesive cells to reel food into the mouth. Breeding occurs from spring to autumn. The eggs and sperm are released into the water and the adults die immediately upon spawning. Sea Gooseberries are actually COMB JELLIES, which are not related to jellyfish at all. The name refers to the tiny hairs on the tentacles which are "comb like"....

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