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## CDF Checklist of Galapagos Comb Jellies

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This taxonomic group consists principally of species recorded during CDF surveys of the Galapagos Marine Reserve.

The group is characterized by the presence of specialized cells that produce a sticky substance used to capture prey. These exclusively marine organisms are major zooplankton predators.

For marine species distribution data cited in the CDF Galapagos Checklists refer to the five main bioregions of the archipelago (Far Northern, Northern, Western, South Eastern and the Elithabeth Bay Bioregion). For the terrestrial species the more than 120 islands, islets and small rocks have been aggregated into Islands Groups, thus, for example, the island group "Santa Cruz" includes smaller islands like Santa Fé, Plaza Norte, Plaza Sur, Baltra, Daphne Mayor, Daphne Minor, and others.

Please be aware that the distribution data presented here is automatically generated from specimen records and does not always accurately reflect the known distribution for all species.

IUCN red-list assessments presented here may deviate from the global IUCN list for the following reasons:

- for well known species groups like vascular plants or vertebrates updates proposed to the IUCN are shown instead of the outdated, but currently accepted status;
- for poorly known species groups (e.g., lichenized fungi) a general assessment is currently not possible and the list presented here is a regional red-list list for Galapagos archipelago.

Names of taxa included in this checklist: 3 (2 Unidentified Taxon, 1 Doubtful). Origin of the taxa included: 1 Indigenous.

1. Beroe sp.

**Taxon status:** Taxon not identified to species, subspecies, form or variety. **Galapagos Distribution:** Unknown.

2. Cestum sp.

**Taxon status:** Taxon not identified to species, subspecies, form or variety. **Galapagos Distribution:** Santa Cruz.

3. Hormiphora cf. palmata Chun, 1898

Taxon status: The identification of this taxon or its occurrence in Galapagos is doubtful.

Syn.: Hormiphora amboinae Moser, 1907, Hormiphora japonica Moser, 1907

Origin: Native, Indigenous.

Galapagos Distribution: Unknown.

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