

Escargot

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The snails are collected after the rains and are put to "purge" (fasting). In the past, the consumption of snails had a marked seasonality, from April to June. Now, snail-breeding techniques make them available all year. Heliciculture occurs mainly in Spain, France, and Italy, which are also the countries with the greatest culinary tradition of the snail. Although throughout history the snail has had little value in the kitchen because it is considered "poverty food", in recent times it can be classified as a delicacy thanks to the appreciation given to it by haute cuisine chefs.

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Elona is a monotypic genus, i.e. it contains only one species, *Elona quimperiana*. The specific name comes from the city of Quimper in Brittany, France.

This snail is mentioned in annexes II and IV of the Habitats Directive.

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Three members of this group, Rick Husband, Michael P. Anderson, and Kalpana Chawla, died in the Space Shuttle Columbia disaster. These three received the Congressional Space Medal of Honor.

Another member of the group Pamela Melroy, served as Deputy Administrator of NASA from 2021 to 2025, having been appointed by US President Joe Biden.

All That

of Shark Tank and the Stone Age culture. "Everyday French with Pierre Escargot"; Kenan Thompson Pierre sits in a bathtub filled with suds, wearing a raincoat

All That is an American sketch comedy children's television series created by Brian Robbins and Mike Tollin. The series originally aired on Nickelodeon from April 16, 1994, to October 22, 2005, lasting ten seasons, and was produced by Tollin/Robbins Productions and by Schneider's Bakery in season ten. The pilot episode was originally shown as a special "sneak peek" on April 16, 1994, with the show officially debuting as a regular series on January 21, 1995.

The series features original short comedic sketches and weekly musical guests aimed toward a young audience. Its sketches parody popular culture and are performed by a large and varying cast of child and teen actors. Early episodes were taped at Nickelodeon Studios at Universal Orlando Resort and then moved to Hollywood at the Nickelodeon on Sunset theatre, where other Nickelodeon shows such as The Amanda Show, Kenan & Kel, and Drake & Josh were taped.

All That went on to become a fixture on Nickelodeon for over a decade and has received acclaim for its diverse cast and impact on children's television. The series has spun off several members of the cast in their own Nickelodeon television series with varying levels of success. It has been marketed in several ways, including an audio recording, books, a feature film (with a sequel), festival tour, and numerous reunions and specials celebrating the legacy of All That.

In 2019, Robbins, the current president of Nickelodeon and co-creator of the original series, announced a revival of the series with original cast member Kenan Thompson serving as executive producer, with Kel Mitchell later confirmed in the same role. The eleventh season premiered on June 15, 2019, with musical guests The Jonas Brothers. Original cast members Lori Beth Denberg and Josh Server each appeared, and made sporadic appearances throughout the season. The last episode of the series aired on December 17, 2020, after production was permanently suspended due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Land snail

cuisine, where they are called escargots. 191 farms produced escargots in France as of 2014. In an English-language menu, escargot is generally reserved[citation

A land snail is any of the numerous species of snail that live on land, as opposed to the sea snails and freshwater snails. Land snail is the common name for terrestrial gastropod mollusks that have shells (those without shells are known as slugs). However, it is not always easy to say which species are terrestrial,

because some are more or less amphibious between land and fresh water, and others are relatively amphibious between land and salt water.

Land snails are a polyphyletic group comprising at least ten independent evolutionary transitions to terrestrial life (the last common ancestor of all gastropods was marine). The majority of land snails are pulmonates that have a lung and breathe air. Most of the non-pulmonate land snails belong to lineages in the Caenogastropoda, and tend to have a gill and an operculum. The largest clade of non-pulmonate land snails is the Cyclophoroidea, with more than 7,000 species. Many of these operculate land snails live in habitats or microhabitats that are sometimes (or often) damp or wet, such as in moss.

Land snails have a strong muscular foot; they use mucus to enable them to crawl over rough surfaces and to keep their soft bodies from drying out. Like other mollusks, land snails have a mantle, and they have one or two pairs of tentacles on their head. Their internal anatomy includes a radula and a primitive brain.

In terms of reproduction, many caenogastropod land snails (e.g., diplommatinids) are dioecious, but pulmonate land snails are hermaphrodites (they have a full set of organs of both sexes) and most lay clutches of eggs in the soil. Tiny snails hatch out of the egg with a small shell in place, and the shell grows spirally as the soft parts gradually increase in size. Most land snails have shells that are right-handed in their coiling.

A wide range of different vertebrate and invertebrate animals prey on land snails. They are used as food by humans in various cultures worldwide, and are raised on farms in some areas for use as food.

Terence Stamp

Terence (2012). Rare Stamps: Reflections on Living, Breathing, and Acting. Escargot Books. ISBN 9781908191380. Stamp, Terence (2017). The Ocean Fell into the

Terence Henry Stamp (22 July 1938 – 17 August 2025) was an English actor. Known for his sophisticated villain roles, he received various accolades including a Golden Globe Award, a Cannes Film Festival Award as well as nominations for an Academy Award and two BAFTA Awards. He was named by Empire as one of the 100 Sexiest Film Stars of All Time in 1995.

Stamp trained at the Webber Douglas Academy of Dramatic Art in London, before acting in the Wolf Mankowitz production of *This Year Next Year* (1960) at the West End's Vaudeville Theatre. He made his American film debut playing the title role in the film *Billy Budd* (1962), which earned him a Golden Globe Award as well as nominations for the Academy Award and the BAFTA Award. He starred in the psychological horror film *The Collector* (1965) for which he won the Cannes Film Festival Award for Best Actor. He went on to appear in films such as *Modesty Blaise* (1966), *Far from the Madding Crowd* (1967), *Poor Cow* (1967), *Teorema* (1968), *Spirits of the Dead* (1968), and *The Mind of Mr. Soames* (1969).

Stamp gained wider fame for his role as archvillain General Zod in the superhero films *Superman* (1978) and *Superman II* (1980). For his leading role in the Australian road comedy *The Adventures of Priscilla, Queen of the Desert* (1994) he earned BAFTA Award and Golden Globe Award nominations. He then starred in *The Limey* (1999), earning an Independent Spirit Award nomination. He also acted in films such as *Wall Street* (1987), *Young Guns* (1988), *Star Wars: Episode I – The Phantom Menace* (1999), *The Haunted Mansion* (2003), *Elektra* (2005), *Wanted* (2008), *Get Smart* (2008), *Yes Man* (2008), *Valkyrie* (2008), *Song for Marion* (2012), and *Big Eyes* (2014). His final performance was in *Last Night in Soho* (2021).

Heliciculture

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Heliciculture, commonly known as snail farming, is the process of raising edible land snails, primarily for human consumption or cosmetic use. The meat and snail eggs can be consumed as escargot and as a type of caviar, respectively.

Perhaps the best-known edible land snail species in the Western world is *Helix pomatia*, commonly known as the Roman snail or the Burgundy snail. This species, however, is not fit for profitable snail farming, and is normally harvested from nature.

Commercial snail farming in the Western world typically utilizes snails in the family Helicidae, particularly *Cornu aspersum* (morphotypically divided into *C. a. aspersa* and *C. a. maxima*), formerly known as *Helix aspersa*. In tropical climates, snail farming is typically done with the African snail. Snail meat from the African snail is highly valued and widely consumed. The term 'heliciculture' is used for raising snails for any commercial purpose, but generally refers to farming snails for escargot and cosmetic applications. It can also refer to cultivation of sea snails, such as whelks.

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In their natural state, the eggs are colourless. After processing, the eggs may be cream-coloured, pinkish-white, or white, with the eggs generally 3–4 mm in diameter. Some snail eggs may measure at 3–6 mm in diameter. Some commercial snail farms that produce escargot include the production of snail caviar as a part of their operations.

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