How to Identify Box Jellyfish

Chironex fleckeri



Is it wider than 10cm across the bell?

Chironex grows up to 30cm across the bell.

Chiropsalmus grows up to 10cm across the bell.

Wider than 10cm = *Chironex*

If narrower than 10cm, check the tentacles.

Are the tentacles flat like fettucini or round like spaghetti?



Chironex has flat tentacles like fettucini, with up to 15 tentacles per corner.



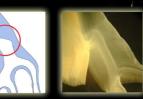
Chiropsalmus has thinner, round tentacles like spaghetti, with up to 9 tentacles per corner.

Does it have a spike in its `pedalial' or foot canal?



Chironex has a spike in its pedalial canal.

Chiropsalmus has no spike, just a rounded pedalial canal.



Chiropsalmus

