

# Axolotl Fun Facts



## Habitat

Axolotl's natural habitat is Lake Xochimilco (So-chee-mil-co) in Mexico City, Mexico. Axolotls swim with plants like water lilies and water lettuce, and enjoy companions like crayfish, fish and frogs.

## Gills

A few feathery, external gills on each side of the head provide the axolotl with oxygen and its signature look. Adult axolotls have lungs but rely primarily on these gills to breathe.



## Colorful Camouflage

Axolotls can be found in over 18 colors – including most Girl Scout Cookie® package colors! They are often pink as pets, but can be grey, green, black and brown in the wild so they blend into their environment.