



Plants and animals of the salt marsh



Watch this video showing some common plants and animals in the salt marsh.

<https://youtu.be/Y7apRF3l43s>

What is the only reptile in SC that can live in the salt marsh? *

- Box turtle
- Leatherback turtle
- Diamondback terrapin
- Corn snake

How is Spartina grass adapted to the salt marsh? *

- By excreting salt crystals from their leaves
- By only taking in fresh water when it rains
- By growing high up in the marsh away from water
- By having short shallow roots

The periwinkle snail is an indicator species because... *

- They like to eat detritus.
- Their abundance can tell us about the health of the ecosystem.
- They only survive in environments with high levels of pollution.
- They are at the base of the food chain.