



DATA SHEET : MUSSEL ID

Mussel #	Additional Facts	Common Name	<i>Scientific name</i>	Flow Preference
1	Most common species in French Creek			Medium to high
2	Very thick shell that often looks like a particular human organ.			Medium to high
3	Smallest adult mussel in this region			Medium to high
4	Difficult to find because they often bury themselves deep in the substrate			Medium
5	Thick shell with a rather shallow beak cavity			Medium to high
6	On young individuals the rays towards the beak grow faint			Medium
7	Unmistakable ray pattern consisting of green triangles or chevrons			Medium
8	Usually covered in algae			Medium
9	Nacre has a range of color possibilities including purple, salmon, orange, or white			Medium to high

10	Very environmentally sensitive, endangered PA region			Medium to high
11	Chevron or triangle patterns cover the anterior end			Transition between slow to fast
12	Young specimen may have subtle green rays			Medium
13	Three very distinct ridges			Medium
14	Scalloping on the dorsal, posterior region of shell			Medium to high
15	Sometimes lives in pools, tolerant of silt			Low to medium, pools
16	Males have less of a distinct edge than females			Medium
17	Usually rayless			Medium
18	Numerous thin wavy green rays			Medium
19	Younger specimens often have a glossy appearance			Low to medium
20	Often has a highly eroded beak, and feels lighter than most mussels its size			Medium
21	Fragile, light weight shell that often break			Slow
22	Not often found in			Low to medium

	French Creek, prefers lakes			
23	Thin shell, lives in ponds, lakes and creek pools			Pools
24	Deep beak cavity			Medium
25	Overall round outline but edges are somewhat triangular			Medium to high
26	Nacre is usually purple but can be pink or white			Medium to high