

*Cherax tenuimanus*

# Marone Crayfish

Other common names: marron crayfish,  
hairy marron crayfish

Parastacidae, the freshwater snail



## Diagnostic Characteristics

- Tufts of hair-like bristles on carapace and other surfaces
- Top of head has five ridges
- Side of body has scattered and raised knobs
- First pair of clawed legs are quite narrow
- Colors are brown, blue, and black

## Background

- Native to Western Australia
- Omnivorous and feed on dead animals and plants
- Critically endangered in its native habitat
- One of the largest species of crayfish
- Threatens biodiversity and ecosystem function

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