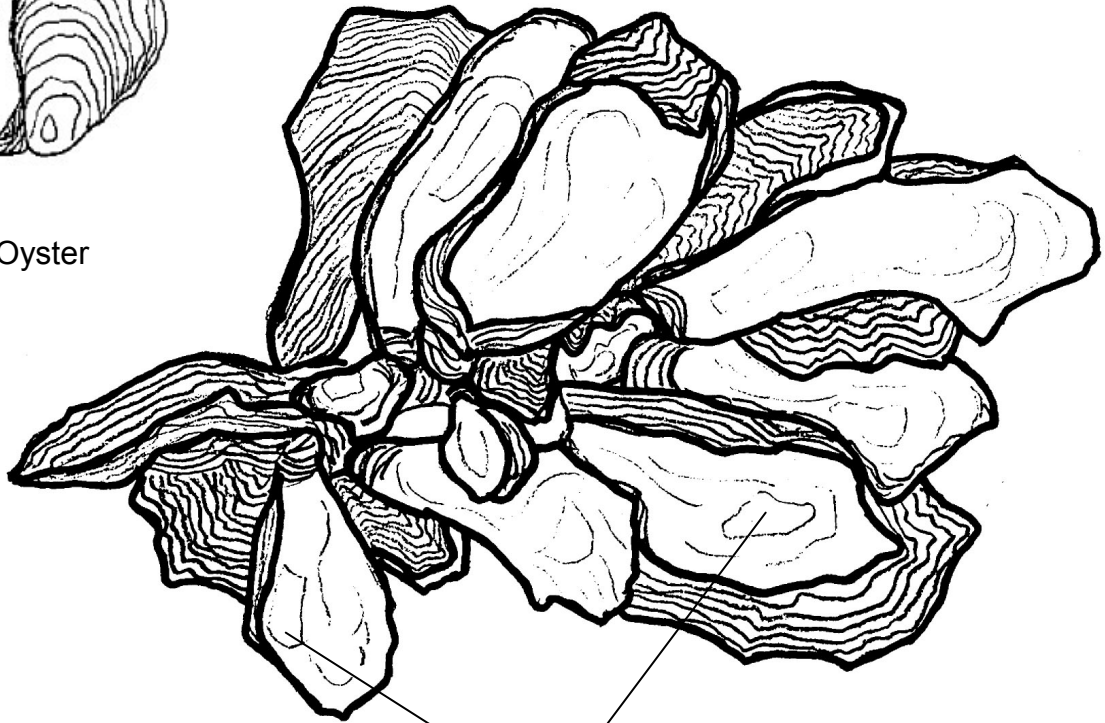


Eastern Oyster



Single Oyster



Muscle Scars

Oyster Clump

Coloring Instructions: Color the muscle scar purple. The insides of the shells should be light gray. The outsides of the shells (areas with dark lines) should be grayish brown. The animals that live inside these shells are missing from the drawings. You can draw them in as gray blobs inside each shell.

Interesting Fact: Oysters spend part of their lives as females and part of their lives as males. There are many predators of oyster eggs, mostly the other tiny plankton swimming in the salt marsh waters. In fact, for every 50 million eggs an oyster lays each year, only 12 will survive to grow into adult oysters.