

BE ON THE LOOKOUT

The **Western Pacific Ocean Manila Clam** has recently been spotted in MA in sandy, gravelly, and muddy shores

The figures show the differences between the **Manila Clam** and the **native quahog**

REPORT A SIGHTING

- take a photo
- state if alive or dead
- estimate length
- number of clams found

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Manila Clam
(*Ruditapes philippinarum*)



Up to 2" (5.1 cm)

Native Northern Quahog
(*Mercenaria mercenaria*)



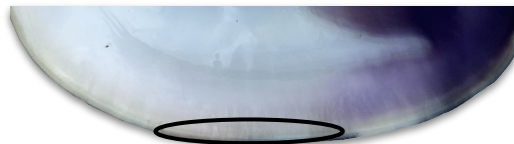
Up to 5" (12.7 cm)



Oval shaped lunule (hinge depression)



Heart shaped lunule (hinge depression)



Smooth inner margin (inside)



Grooved inner margin (inside)