## Atlantic Rock Crab – Leg and claw meat





Atlantic Rock Crab (L. cancer irroratus) is fished in traps with small boats that land the catch every day. To ensure high quality the catch is iced on board and gets fast to processing plant. The cold waters around Iceland help keep the crab fresh from the ocean to packing.

The Atlantic Rock Crab is a new species in Iceland and Europe. The Rock Crab was first found in 2006 close to Reykjavik on the southwest coast (red dot) and is spreading fast around the island.

The meat is extracted after cooking from the first and biggest part of the leg and claws, making a nice piece of white meat with a beautiful orange overlay on top of each bite. The rock crab has a nice sweet and soft crab taste, making it a welcome delight in most recipes.

## **Processing and packing**

- The crab is kept in ice from fishing to processing.
- Only live crabs are processed.
- Crab legs and claws are split off the crab before cooking to ensure even cooking.
- The Crab legs are cooked at 90°C for a few minutes before the meat is extracted.
- 100 gr boxes packed in a master of 12 x 100 gr = 1.2 kg
- 540 boxes per euro pallet with total net weight of 648 kg





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