

## Identifying zebra mussels

Adult zebra mussels are small, with a maximum size of 25-35 mm (1 to 1.4 inches). Usually the shell is a light color (tan, beige) with zig-zag darker stripes. Unlike quagga mussels, they will sit flat on their underside.



The above picture, taken by a resident of the Second Lake in spring 2016, shows a juvenile zebra mussel attached to a large mussel, and an adult zebra mussel attached to a snail. The adult measured about 1 inch long. They were found in about 2 or 3 feet of water near the shore.