Bivalves

PIPIS

Donax cuneatus

Pipis are one of a number of bivalves that burrow into the sand. They are common on the water's edge. Uncovered briefly by a wave they quickly disappear burrowing down into the sand by their muscular feet. The two tubes that reach up to the sand surface are siphons through which water laden with tiny food particles is drawn.

They are seasonal and can be boiled in billies, roasted gently on the ashes at the edge of a fire or steamed in a pan.



