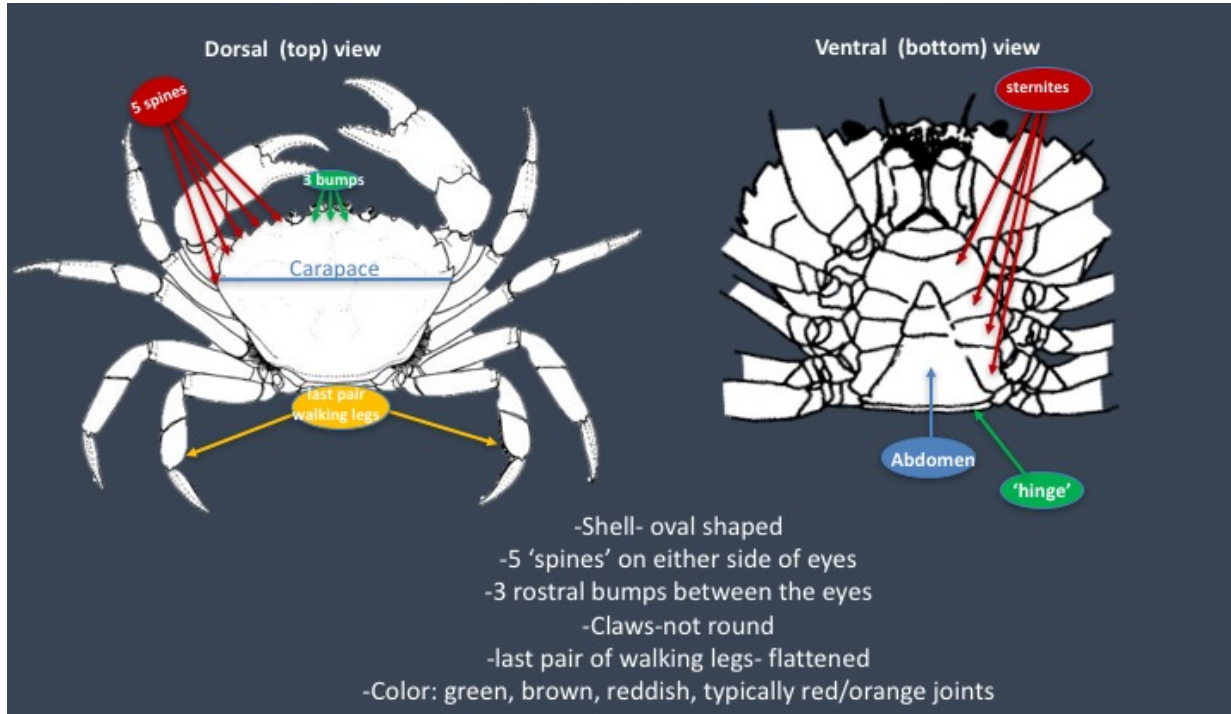


## European Green Crab (*Carcinus maenas*): Fast ID/ Anatomy



1. Male: Narrow, spear shaped abdomen (apron)- "Washington Monument"
2. Female: Rounded, broad shaped abdomen (apron) "Capital Building"
3. Molted Crab: A newly molted crab will be very soft, leathery and very shiny. The color will vary from lemon yellow to bright green. The claws will be bright blue/purple with very distinct spots.
4. Green Crabs aren't always green! Some are brown, dark green/brown, red or orange.



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