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TIDBIT! Sea foam, marsh muck, and the forest floor share a key ingredient: detritus. This yucky stuff is made up of plant material and bits of dead organisms. Microorganisms, called decomposers, eat this and break it down into nutrient rich soil or mud. Those microorganisms, like plankton, are in turn eaten by larger organisms, like shrimp, fish and even whales. Detritus, in this way, is the bottom and largest part of the food web. Detritus is the key ingredient in every healthy ecosystem! Next time you're on the beach and see this.....impress your friends.



Patty Reed and STINKY too....Detritus, our stinky friend in the shell fish nurseries

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Nancy Gentry The circle of life :)

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Chad Carson Very cool.

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Maggie Ruth Cochrane hey, I love that stuff! I will walk out of my way while on the beach just to jump in it! it's awesome! and don't forget, organic! lol spreading some love for our wonderful SC beaches, best in the world, and nation!

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Murrill Little Snipes I have more respect for it now!

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