

Animal Fact Sheet

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Atlantic cod

Gadus morhua

The Atlantic cod is a large, cold-water fish native to the North Atlantic Ocean, recognizable by its elongated body, three dorsal fins, and a distinctive, whisker-like barbel on its chin. It plays a ...

Quick facts

Classification: Fish

Family: Gadidae

Habitat: Cold temperate coastal and offshore waters of the North Atlantic Ocean

Diet: Carnivore

Conservation status: Vulnerable

Lifespan: 10-20 years

Weight: 2-40 kg

Scientific name: *Gadus morhua*

Did you know?

- A single female Atlantic cod can produce several million eggs in a single spawning season.
- Atlantic cod have a 'barbel' on their chin used for sensing prey buried in the sea floor. Their liver is especially large and was historically proces...

What I learned
