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Animal Fact Sheet

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Atlantic spadefish

Chaetodipterus faber

The Atlantic spadefish is a striking, disc-shaped marine fish recognized for its silvery body adorned with bold, vertical black bands. Commonly found in large schools, it frequents coastal waters, sh…

Quick facts

Classification: Fish
Family: Ephippidae
Habitat: Coastal marine waters, reefs, and shipwrecks
Diet: Omnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 8-10 years
Weight: 2–9 kg (4.4–20 lbs)
Scientific name: Chaetodipterus faber

Did you know?

- Despite their bold appearance, Atlantic spadefish are not aggressive and rely on schooling for protection from predators.
- Atlantic spadefish are one of the few fish that feed on jellyfish, tolerating their stings. Their habit of forming large, tightly-packed schools make…

What I learned

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