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Animal Fact Sheet

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Brook trout

Salvelinus fontinalis

The brook trout is a freshwater fish native to eastern North America, known for its vibrant coloration and distinctive marbled patterning along the back and dorsal fin. It inhabits clear, cold, well-…

Quick facts

Classification: Fish
Family: Salmonidae
Habitat: Cold, clear freshwater streams, rivers, and lakes
Diet: Carnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 3-6 years
Weight: 0.5–3 kg (1–6.5 lbs)
Scientific name: Salvelinus fontinalis

Did you know?

- Brook trout are so sensitive to water pollution and temperature changes that they are considered an indicator species for healthy freshwater ecosyste…
- Brook trout are actually a type of char, not a true trout. Their vibrant colors become more pronounced during spawning season. In some regions, brook…

What I learned

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