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## Golden dorado

*Salminus brasiliensis*

The golden dorado is a large, predatory freshwater fish native to central and east-central South America. Renowned for its striking golden-yellow coloration and powerful, muscular body, this species ...

### Quick facts

**Classification:** Fish

**Family:** Characidae

**Habitat:** Freshwater rivers and streams

**Diet:** Carnivore

**Conservation status:** Near Threatened

**Lifespan:** 15-20 years

**Weight:** 5–25 kg

**Scientific name:** *Salminus brasiliensis*

### Did you know?

- Despite their name, golden dorados are not related to the marine mahi-mahi, which is also sometimes called 'dorado.'
- Golden dorados are known for their explosive strikes and the ability to leap several feet out of the water when hooked. They have extremely sharp teeth...

### What I learned

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