

# Animal Fact Sheet

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## Golden Trout

*Oncorhynchus mykiss aguabonita*

The Golden Trout is a brilliantly colored freshwater fish native to the cold, clear mountain streams and lakes of California's Sierra Nevada. Easily recognized by its bright golden-yellow body, red h...

### Quick facts

**Classification:** Fish

**Family:** Salmonidae

**Habitat:** Cold mountain streams and alpine lakes

**Diet:** Omnivore

**Conservation status:** Near Threatened

**Lifespan:** 5-7 years

**Weight:** 0.23-1 kg (0.5-2.2 lbs)

**Scientific name:** *Oncorhynchus mykiss aguabonita*

### Did you know?

- Golden Trout have been introduced to other states and countries, but pure populations remain rare and are threatened by hybridization and habitat loss.
- Golden Trout are California's official state fish and are known for thriving at elevations higher than almost any other native trout. Their vivid colors...

### What I learned

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