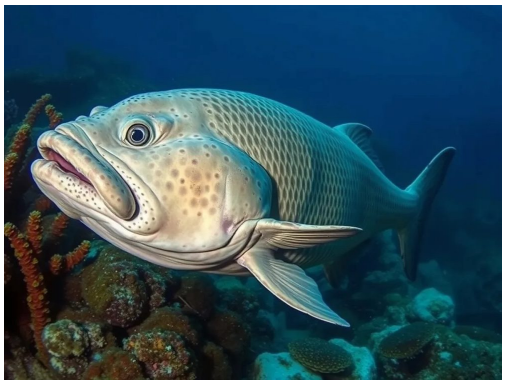
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Goliath grouper

Epinephelus itajara

Epinephelus itajara, the Atlantic goliath grouper, grows to about 2.5 m and 360 kg, making it the largest grouper in the Atlantic, and it holds territory around wrecks, ledges and mangrove roots rath…

Quick facts

Classification: Fish
Family: Epinephelidae
Habitat: Shallow tropical and subtropical coastal waters, coral reefs, and mangroves
Diet: Carnivore
Conservation status: Critically Endangered
Lifespan: 30–50 years
Weight: 200–360 kg (440–790 lbs)
Scientific name: Epinephelus itajara

Did you know?

- Goliath groupers can sometimes be seen 'gulp-feeding' on entire small sharks, demonstrating their impressive predatory power.
- Goliath groupers can live at least 37 years, and probably considerably longer; ageing is done from ear bones. Their booming call is used both to warn…

What I learned

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