

# Animal Fact Sheet

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## Humphead Parrotfish

*Bolbometopon muricatum*

The humphead parrotfish is the largest species of parrotfish, easily recognized by its prominent, bulbous forehead and beak-like dental plates. Found throughout the Indo-Pacific coral reefs, this imp...

### Quick facts

**Classification:** Fish

**Family:** Scaridae

**Habitat:** Coral reefs

**Diet:** Herbivore

**Conservation status:** Vulnerable

**Lifespan:** 20–40 years

**Weight:** 50–75 kg

**Scientific name:** *Bolbometopon muricatum*

### Did you know?

- Despite their massive size and tough beaks, humphead parrotfish are known to sleep in groups in shallow reef areas, sometimes even producing a mucous...
- Humphead parrotfish can consume over five tons of coral each year, turning it into fine sand. They often travel in large schools, especially at night...

### What I learned

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