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Humphead wrasse

Cheilinus undulatus

Cheilinus undulatus, also called the Napoleon wrasse for the male's bulbous forehead, is the largest wrasse on Earth at up to 2 m and 190 kg, and it lives so slowly that fishing it sustainably is nea…

Quick facts

Classification: Fish
Family: Labridae
Habitat: Coral reefs
Diet: Carnivore
Conservation status: Endangered
Lifespan: 30–50 years
Weight: 30–190 kg
Scientific name: Cheilinus undulatus

Did you know?

- Individual Humphead wrasses are known to recognize and approach divers, suggesting a high level of intelligence and curiosity.
- Humphead wrasse are among the few reef fish that will eat crown-of-thorns starfish, and their loss on Indo-Pacific reefs has been linked to starfish …

What I learned

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