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Animal Fact Sheet

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Redfin pickerel

Esox americanus americanus

The Redfin pickerel is a small freshwater fish native to the eastern United States, easily recognized by its slender, elongated body and distinctive bright red or orange fins. It features a long, poi…

Quick facts

Classification: Fish
Family: Esocidae
Habitat: Freshwater streams, ponds, and swamps
Diet: Carnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 3-5 years
Weight: 0.2-0.45 kg
Scientific name: Esox americanus americanus

Did you know?

- The Redfin pickerel can use rapid sideways lunges to snatch prey in the blink of an eye, thanks to its streamlined body and powerful tail.
- Redfin pickerel can remain motionless for long periods, waiting to ambush prey. Their vivid red fins are most pronounced in adults during the breedin…

What I learned

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