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Animal Fact Sheet

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Sturgeon

Acipenser sturio

Sturgeons are ancient, large-bodied fish known for their elongated bodies and distinctive bony scutes along their backs. They primarily inhabit temperate rivers, lakes, and coastal environments in th…

Quick facts

Classification: Fish
Family: Acipenseridae
Habitat: Freshwater rivers, lakes, and coastal waters
Diet: Carnivore
Conservation status: Critically Endangered (many species)
Lifespan: 50-100 years
Weight: 100–800 kg (220–1,760 lbs), some species exceeding 1,000 kg (2,200 lbs)
Scientific name: Acipenser sturio

Did you know?

- The beluga sturgeon (Huso huso) can grow over 7 meters (23 feet) long, making it one of the largest freshwater fish in the world.
- Sturgeons have existed since the time of dinosaurs, making them one of the oldest fish lineages. Some sturgeons can leap completely out of the water,…

What I learned

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