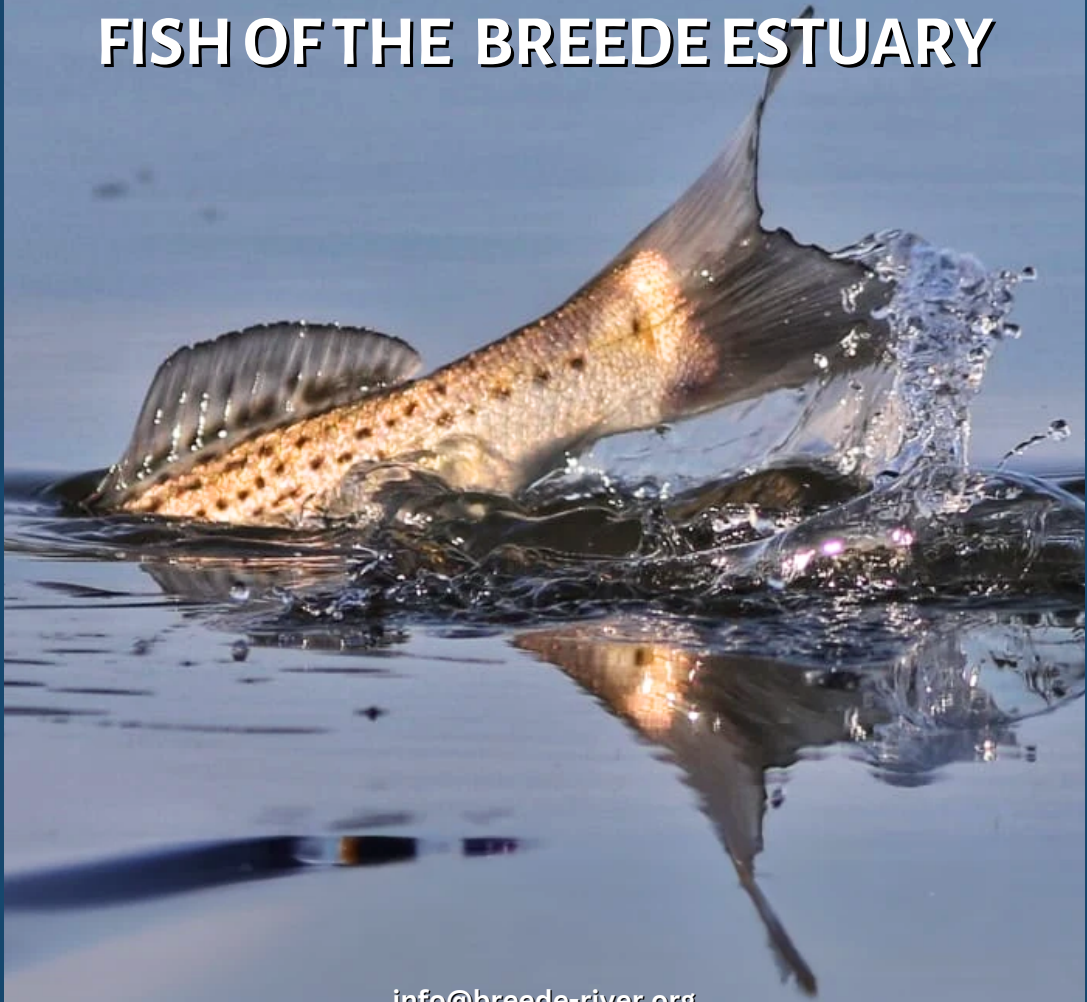




FISH OF THE BREEDE ESTUARY



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Spotted Grunter

79 cm adult

A fine game fish that is often seen in the shallows with its tail waving above the water as it blows small creatures out of holes in mud and sand. These fish get their name from their appearance and the grunting noise they produce when grinding their strong jaws together. **No sale species - do not buy!**

Minimum Size



Bag Limit



Caught



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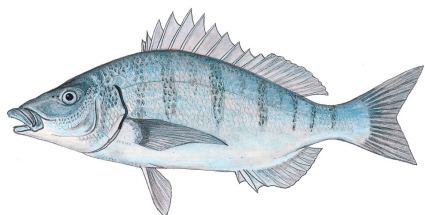
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White Steenbras

85 cm adult

Also known as Pignose Grunters, these fish can survive for long periods of time in near-fresh water. They are popular amongst anglers, but are listed as Red (no sell) on SASSI's Consumer Seafood List as they are endangered. You may only catch one per day, and the fish is required to be at least 60 cm in length. **No sale species - do not buy!**

Minimum Size



Bag Limit



Caught



Location:

Bait:

Tagged



Date:

Length:



Cape Stumpnose

40 cm adult

Juveniles like to forage in the seagrass beds (*Zostera capensis*) of the estuary. Adults feed on urchins, molluscs, barnacles and polychaete worms. This species matures at 20 cm in length and puts up a good fight on light tackle.

Minimum Size



Bag Limit



Caught



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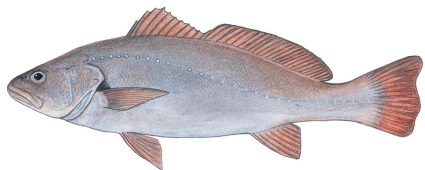
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Dusky Kob

54 cm juvenile
Max 205 cm ~ 80 kg adult

This species is visually similar to the Silver Kob and only matures after 5 to 6 years (90-100 cm). Juveniles are dependent on estuaries until sexually mature, after which adults have very limited coastal movement and regularly return to the same estuary.

Their population is under extreme pressure.

Minimum Size



Bag Limit



Caught



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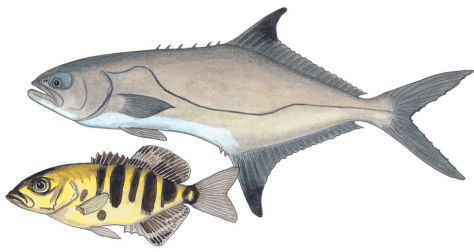
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Garrick/Leervis

1.4 m adult

Juveniles commonly reside in estuaries, while adults enjoy clear waters near the shore. This species is exclusively piscivorous, meaning it feeds only on other fish, especially mullet in the Breede and elf at sea. Garrick are popular sport fish which prefer live bait but will also take a lure. **No sale species - do not buy!**

Minimum Size



Bag Limit



Caught



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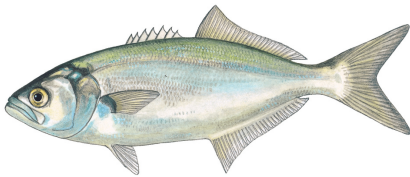
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Elf/Shad

31 cm adult

Elf are feisty predators that have the tendency to leap out of the water when fighting an angler. They can be caught by lure or moving bait. This species has a habit of cutting fishing lines with their sharp teeth, and for this reason braided line is often used.

To protect breeding stocks, no fishing of elf is allowed from 1st September to 30th November in South Africa.

Minimum Size



Bag Limit



Caught



Location:

Bait:

Tagged



Date:

Length:



Mullet

25 cm adult

In estuaries, these fish feed on detritus, algae, seagrass, and more. This species is able to tolerate a wide range of salinities. Juveniles fall prey to many predatory fish found in the estuary, including kob, garrick and elf. African Fish Eagles often target large shoals of mullet for easy pickings.

Minimum Size



Bag Limit



Catch



Zebra

29 cm adult

Zebra fish often inhabit estuaries and are strong fighters on light tackle. When caught, they can emit a strong and nauseating odour. Adults like to hunt in the intertidal zone at high tides, usually around rocky outcrops.

Minimum Size



Bag Limit



Caught



Location:

Bait:

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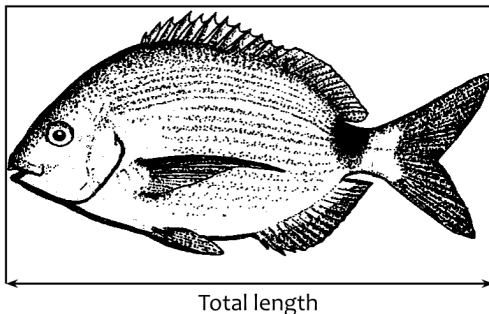
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General Regulations

- Every recreational angler must pay for the right to fish in marine waters by buying an annual or monthly recreational fishing permit. Different types of fishing permits are available including angling, angling from a boat, spearfishing, etc. **Recreational fishing permits are only available from the Post Office, which are closed on Sundays and Public Holidays.**
- A recreational fishing permit entitles the holder to catch fish for own use only and not to sell or trade.
- No person shall engage in fishing and collecting of bait between sunset on one day and sunrise on the following day.
- All bag limits are per person per day.
- You may only have a maximum of 10 fish in your possession irrespective of the species.

How to measure your catch

Total length from the tip of the snout to the extreme end of the tail measured in a straight line.



Where to log your catch online?



FishForLife
fishtory.co.za



Sea Fish Atlas
ispot.org.za/Sea Fish Atlas



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