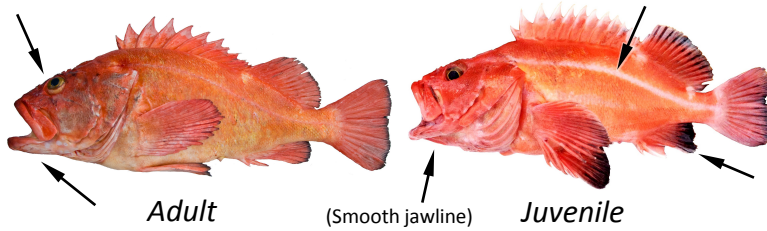


IDENTIFICATION OF COMMON GROUND FISH SPECIES

(of Washington, Oregon and Northern California)

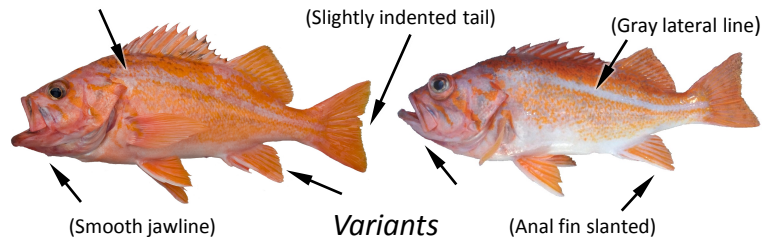
Anglers are responsible for knowing current fishing regulations, which can change frequently.
Check the state website for up-to-date information.

Yelloweye Rockfish



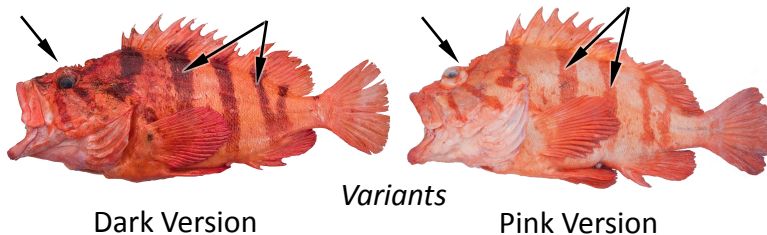
Bright yellow eye and raspy ridges above eye.
Fins usually have black edges.
Juveniles have 1 or 2 white stripes along side of body.

Canary Rockfish



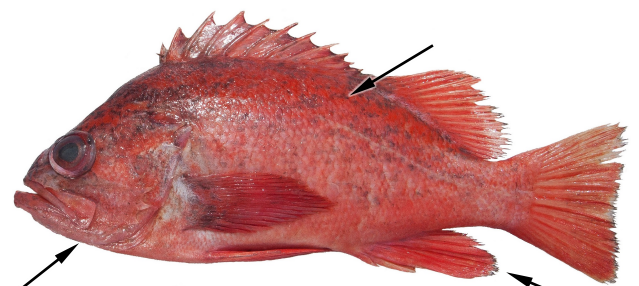
Typically three stripes across side of head and gill plate. Body orange mottled with gray.

Tiger Rockfish



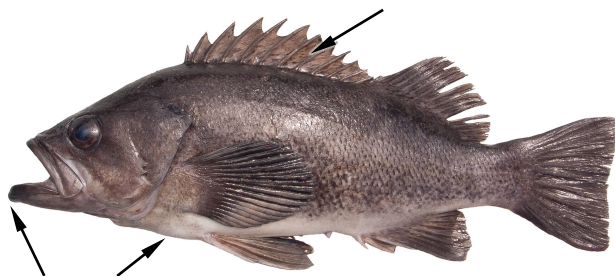
Strong ridges between eyes.
5 or 6 vertical bars on body.

Vermilion Rockfish



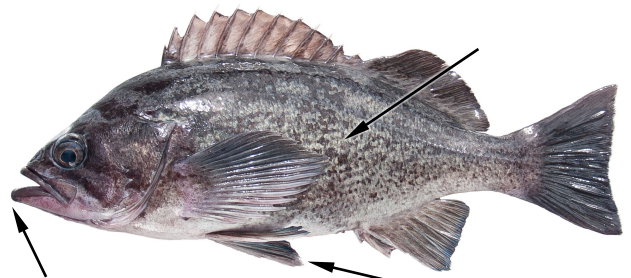
Lower jawline rough to touch. Body reddish and mottled with gray. Anal fin rounded.

Black Rockfish



Large mouth. Body mottled with gray. White belly.
Black spots on the dorsal membrane.

Deacon Rockfish



Small mouth with extended lower lip. Vague stripes across forehead.
Blue-tipped pelvic fins. Many small speckles covering sides of body.

Bocaccio Rockfish



Large mouth extending upwards. Slightly concave between mouth and dorsal fin. Body orange, olive or brown.

Blue Rockfish



Small mouth. Vague stripes across forehead. Blue-tipped pelvic fins. Large angular blotches on sides of body.

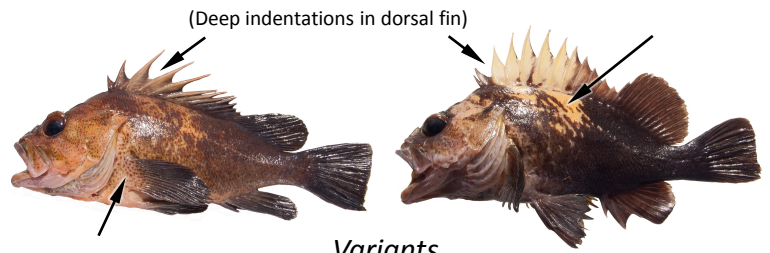
Copper Rockfish



Variants

Light colored band along the last 2/3 of lateral line.

Quillback Rockfish



Variants

Freckles on head and/or throat.
Yellowish saddle markings do not extend to tail.

Yellowtail Rockfish



Fins yellowish, large mouth. May have pale patches or spots on back. May be confused with Olive Rockfish.

China Rockfish



Broad yellow stripe starting on dorsal fin, along lateral line. Yellowish white freckles.

Widow Rockfish



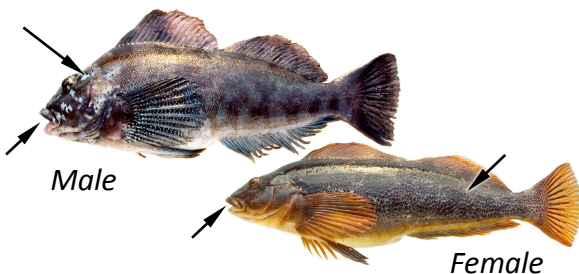
Small mouth, anal fin slanted posteriorly.

Brown Rockfish



Dark brown patch or spot on gill cover. Underside of throat and lower jaw pinkish. Fins may be pinkish.

Kelp Greenling



Small mouth, small teeth. Blue spots may be faint except when breeding, when they become almost neon. Reddish spots on female. Smooth skin.

Cabezon



Flap of skin above eye and on snout. Huge mouth, small teeth. Body marbled. Smooth skin.

Lingcod



Large mouth and large teeth. Deep notch in long dorsal fin. Elongated body. Smooth skin.



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