Striped Bass
*Morone saxatilis*

**Description:**
- Silvery body
- 7-8 horizontal black stripes on sides of fish
- 2 dorsal fins
- Small teeth on tongue
- Large mouth
- Jaws extend backward to below the eye
- 2 prominent spines on gill covers

**Size:**
- Up to 72 inches and 125 lbs

**Range:**
- St. Lawrence River, Canada to St. John’s River, Florida
- Northern Gulf of Mexico from western Florida to Louisiana

**Facts:**
- Coastal, except during migration
- Spawn in freshwater
- Believed to live up to 30 years
- Important food and game fish
- Introduced to the Pacific coast of North America and many large reservoir impoundments in the US as a means to control gizzard shad populations and for recreational fishing
- Feed most actively at dusk until dawn
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Where has my fish traveled?

Stripers – Just How Old is That Fish?

Striped Bass Facts – Did You Know?
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