

ATTENTION COMMERCIAL AND RECREATIONAL FISHERMEN

***SLOPE ROCKFISH** FOUND OFF THE CALIFORNIA COAST**



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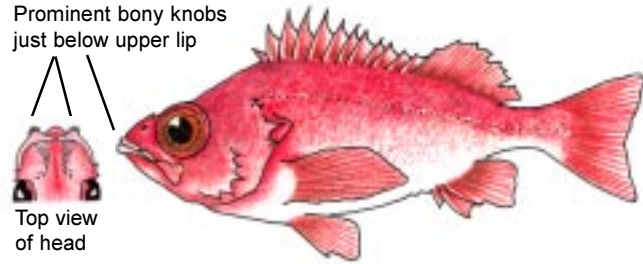
Line drawings taken from Fish Buletin 157, Miller and Lea, 1972.

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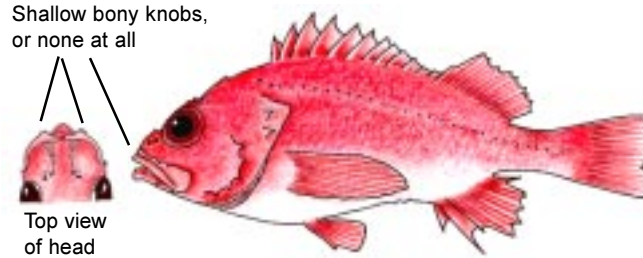
*Eleven fish of genus *Sebastes*, as defined in Title 50, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Parts 600 and 660 (1/5/2001). For additional groundfish regulations or changes to existing regulations, please refer to the U.S. Federal Register or visit www.nwr.noaa.gov.

Prominent bony knobs
just below upper lip



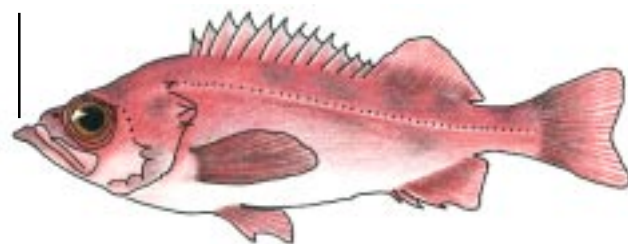
SPLITNOSE ROCKFISH Common coastwide

Shallow bony knobs,
or none at all



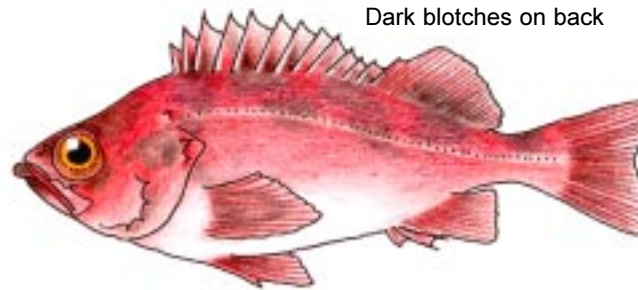
AURORA ROCKFISH Common coastwide

Large knob that
protrudes forward



PACIFIC OCEAN PERCH Uncommon

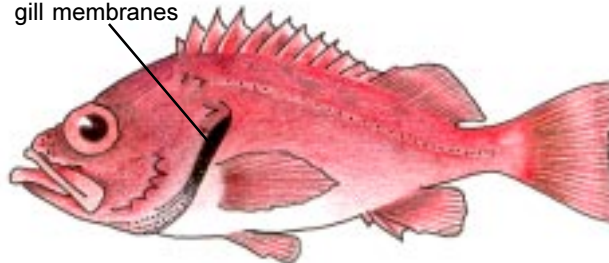
Vague blotches on back



Dark blotches on back

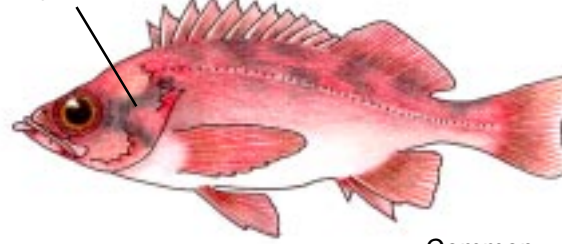
DARKBLOTCHED ROCKFISH Common coastwide

Jet-black color on
gill membranes



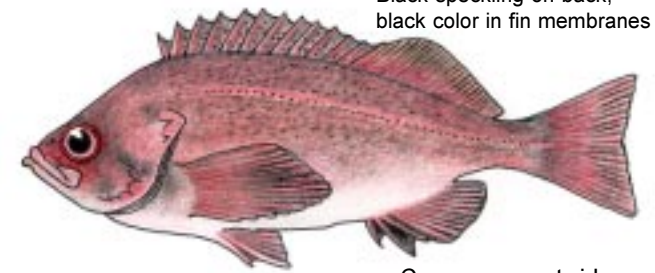
BLACKGILL ROCKFISH Common coastwide

V-shaped blotch
on gill cover



SHARPCHIN ROCKFISH Common coastwide

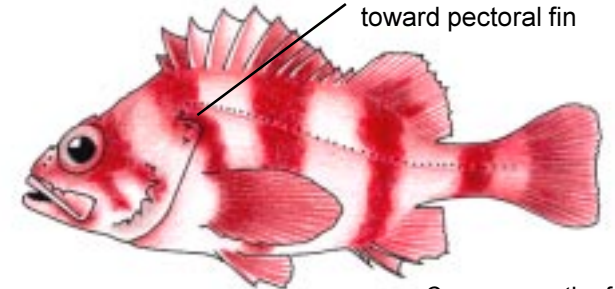
Vague blotches on back



Black speckling on back;
black color in fin membranes

**"Red Widow"
BANK ROCKFISH** Common coastwide;
northern specimens
lighter in color

First bar slants BACK
toward pectoral fin



REDBANDED ROCKFISH Common north of
San Francisco



ROUGHEYE ROCKFISH

- Spiny ridge below eye; diffuse speckling on back
- Found coastwide but very uncommon

SHORTRAKER ROCKFISH

- Vague reddish-orange bars on back
- Rare; found north of Fort Bragg

YELLOWMOUTH ROCKFISH

- Yellow and black blotches inside mouth
- Rare; found north of Fort Bragg