



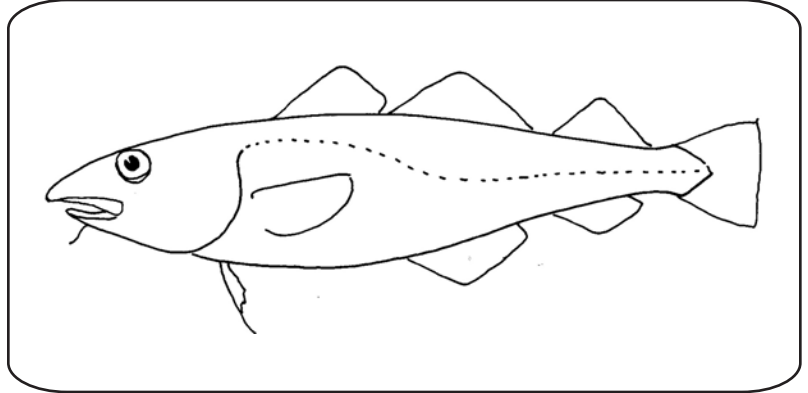
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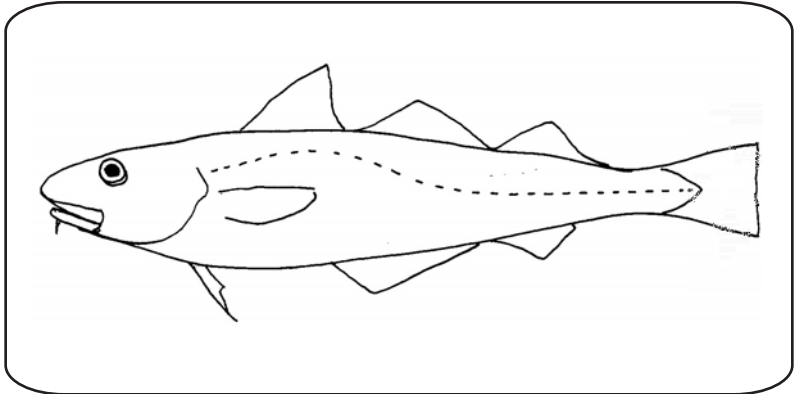
## **PACIFIC COD** *Gadus macrocephalus*

3 dorsal fins. 2 anal fins.  
Nose sticks out further than lower jaw.  
Barbel as long as entire eye is wide.  
Length up to 39 inches.



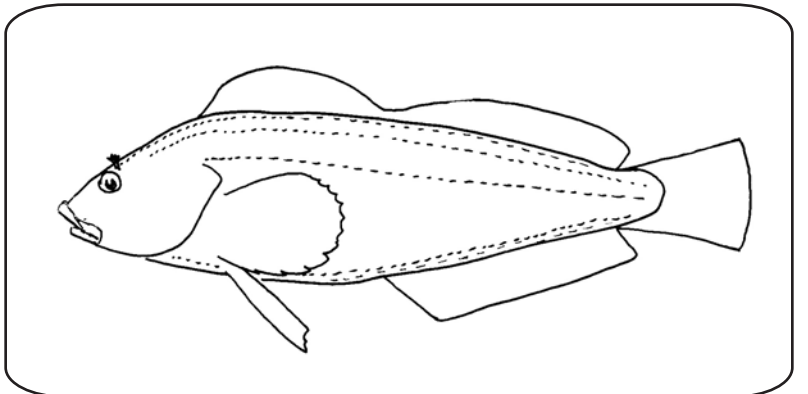
## **TOM COD** *Microgadus proximus*

3 dorsal fins. 2 anal fins.  
Nose sticks out further than lower jaw.  
Barbel as long as eye pupil is wide.  
Length up to 12 inches.



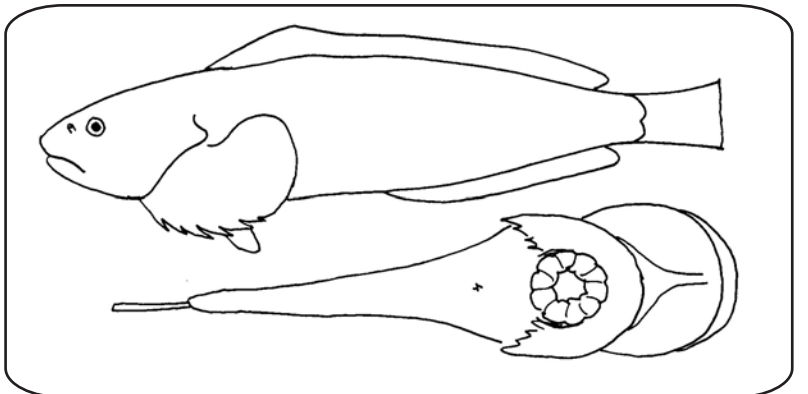
## **GREENLINGS** *Hexagrammidae* family

1 long dorsal fin with a notch midway.  
Large round pectoral fins. 1 anal fin.  
5 lateral lines. Length up to 24".  
Can be very colorful, red or blue spots.



## **SNAILFISH** *Clycpteridae* family

Disc on belly like a suction cup.  
Short, stout body tapers to small tail.  
No scales or lateral line.  
Length up to 12 inches.





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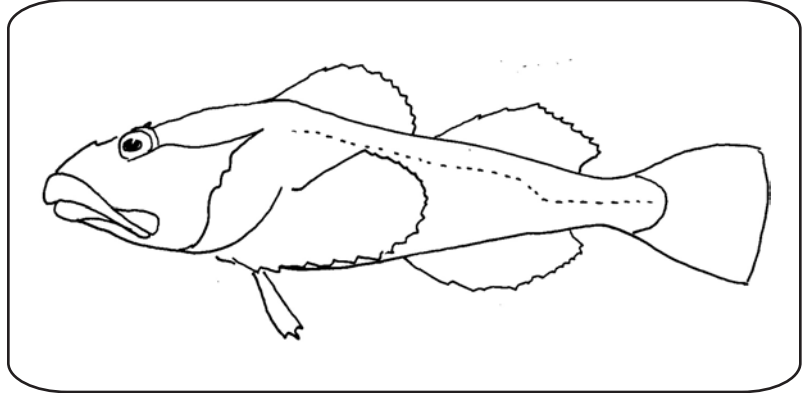
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## GREAT SCULPIN

*Myoxocephalus polyacanthocephalus*

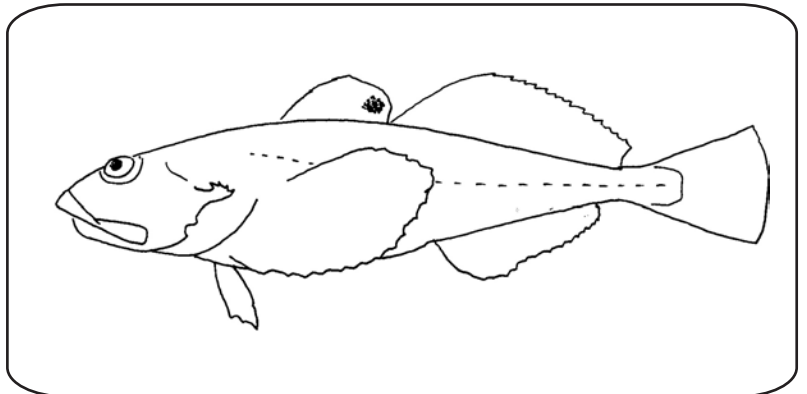
Large head and mouth. 2 dorsal fins.  
Large, straight spines on side of head.  
Length up to 30 inches.  
\* There are many different sculpin.



## PACIFIC STAGHORN SCULPIN

*Leptocottus armatus*

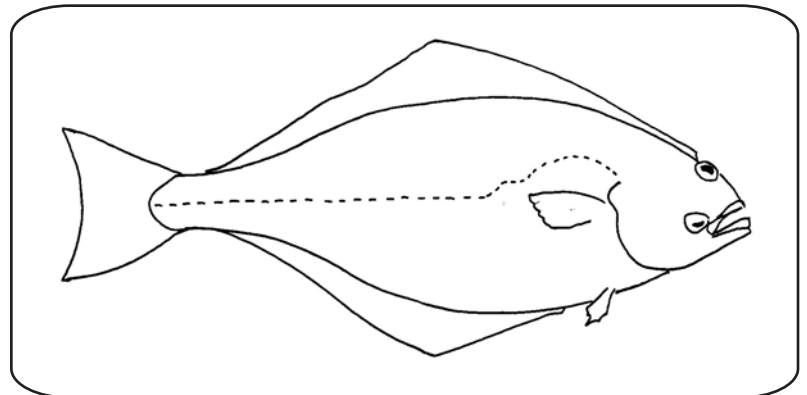
Large head and mouth. No scales.  
Antlerlike spines on head.  
2 dorsal fins. Black spot on first dorsal.  
Length up to 18 inches.



## PACIFIC HALIBUT

*Hippoglossus stenolepis*

Dark on top, clean white on bottom.  
Tail slightly forked or crescent-shaped.  
Lateral line arched.  
\* There are many different flounders.



## STARRY FLOUNDER

*Platichthys stellatus*

Dark on top, creamy white on bottom.  
Very rough skin.  
Dark colored bands on fins.  
Spine hidden near anus.

