

WHALE SHARK

Rhincodon typus

Filters up to 600,000 litres of water per hour to strain out plankton, krill, and small fish.



Like human fingerprints, each whale shark has a unique pattern of spots.

It's mouth spans up to 1.5 m across.



Low swimming speed of on average 4.8 km per hour.



18 m

RANGE



THREATS

Overfishing & vessel strikes

IUCN RED LIST STATUS

EN Endangered

SIZE

