

Sharks of Mississippi and Alabama

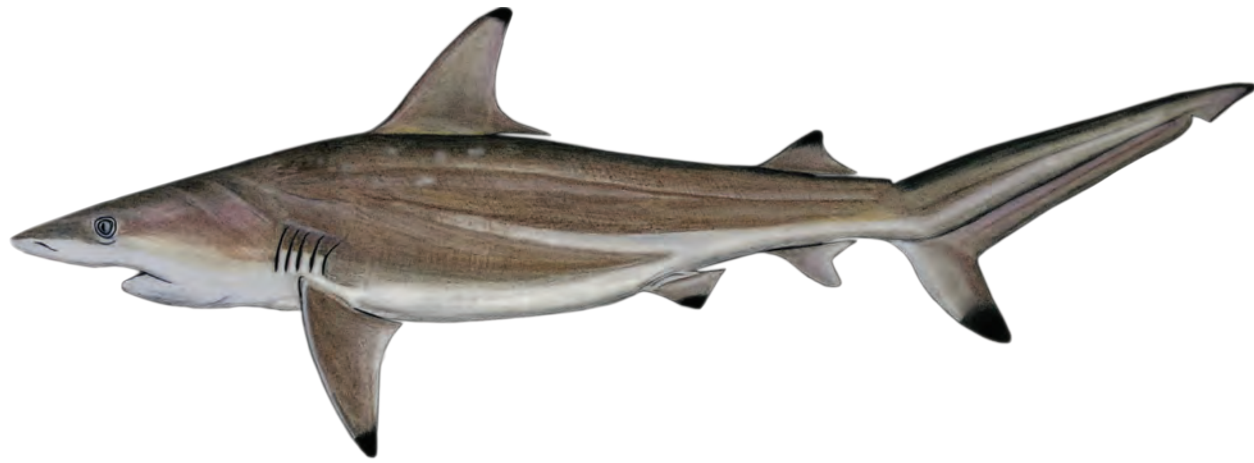
Sharks are a critical part of healthy marine ecosystems. Mississippi and Alabama are home to an incredible diversity of sharks. Below are 15 of the most common species in this region.



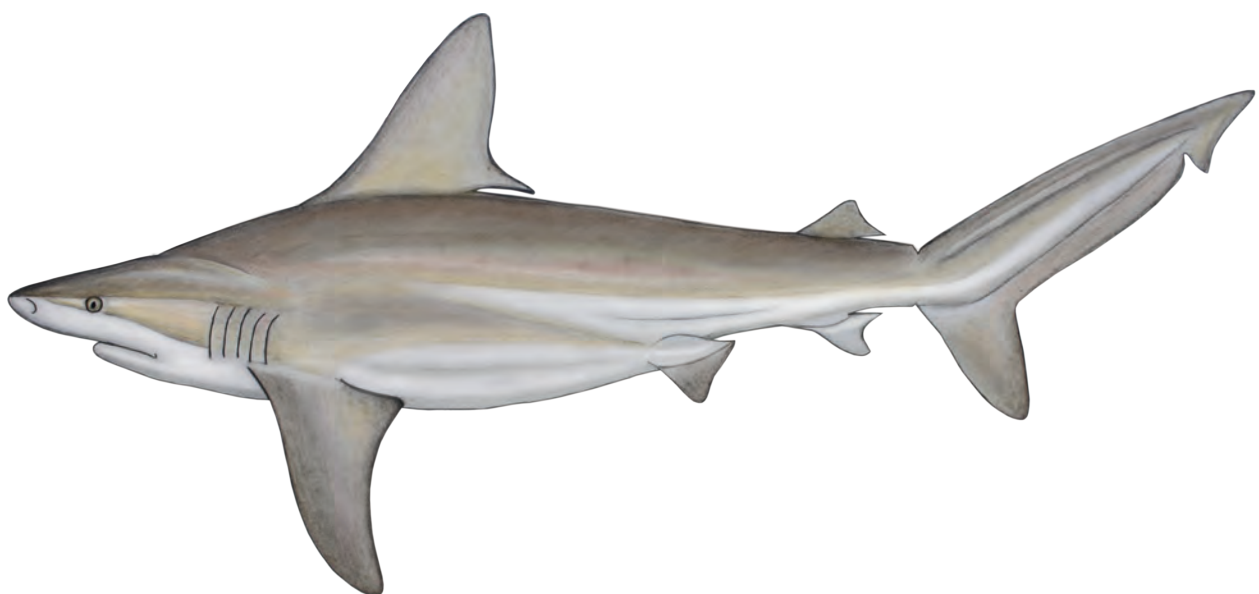
Atlantic sharpnose shark
Rhizoprionodon terraenovae



Blacknose shark
Carcharhinus acronotus



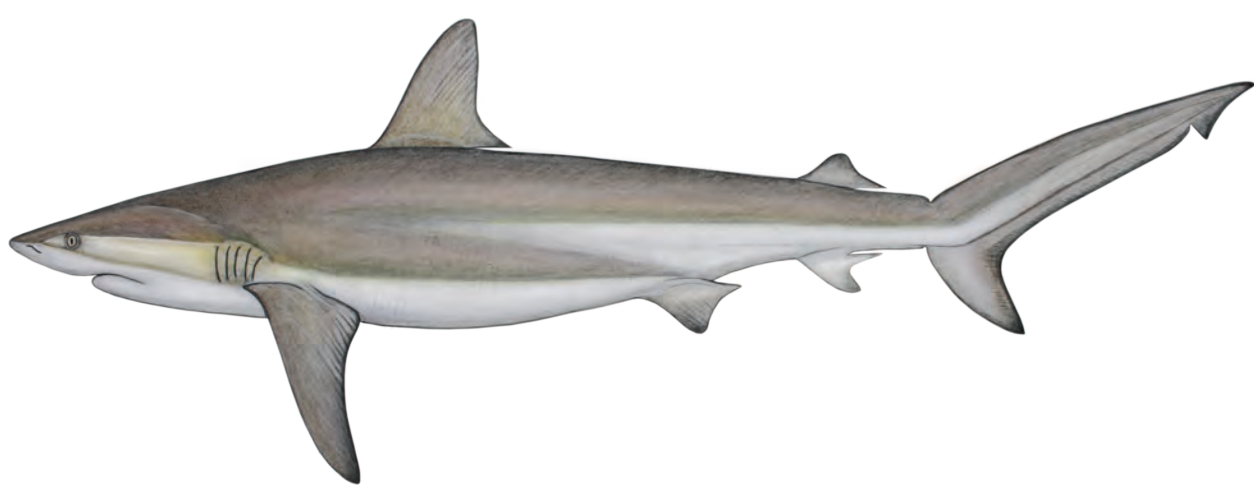
Blacktip shark
Carcharhinus limbatus



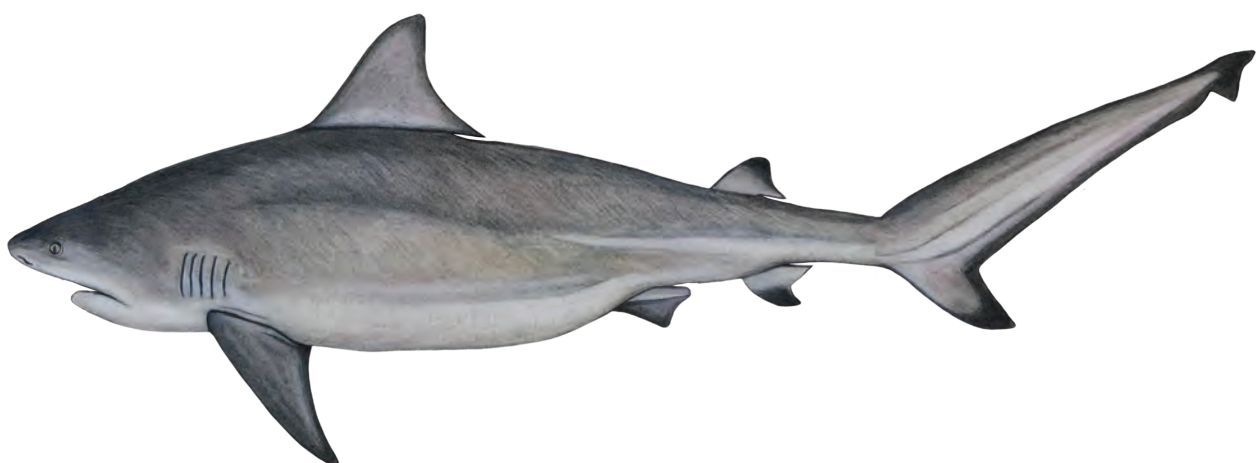
Sandbar shark
Carcharhinus plumbeus



Silky shark
Carcharhinus falciformis



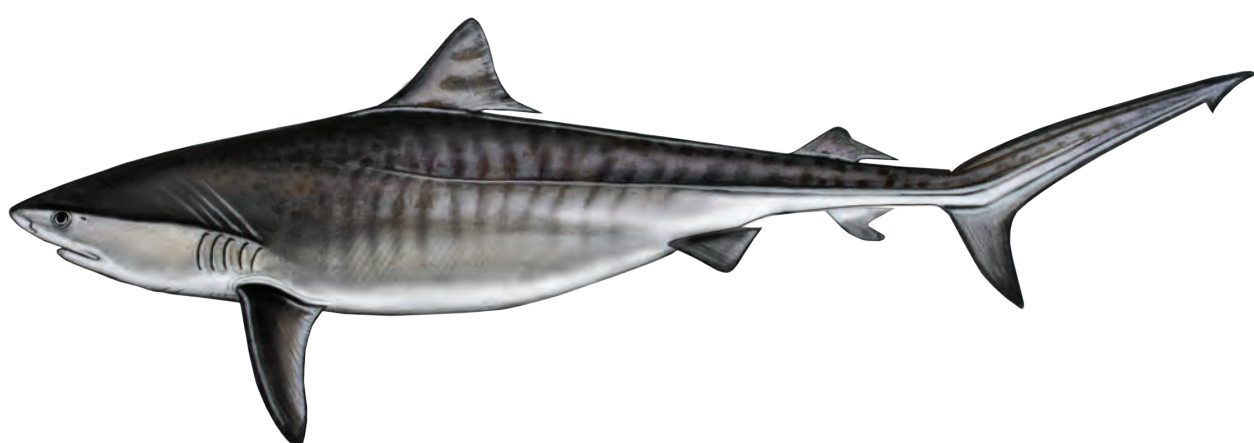
Dusky shark
Carcharhinus obscurus



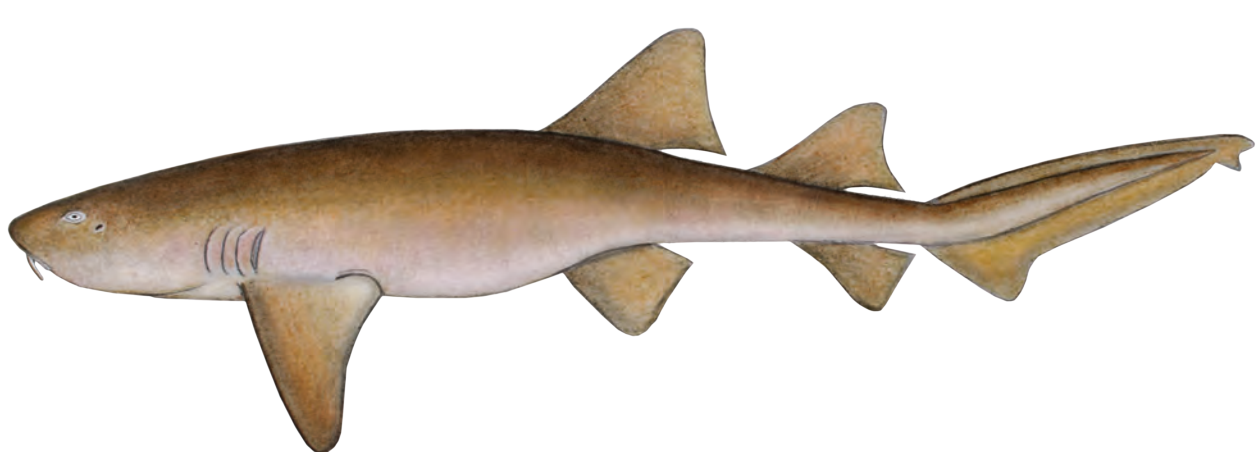
Bull shark
Carcharhinus leucas



Shortfin mako
Isurus oxyrinchus



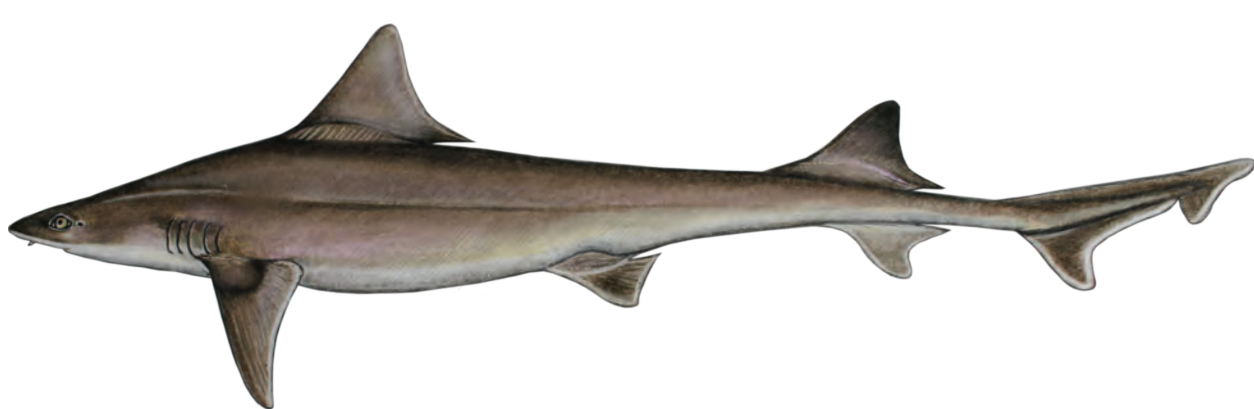
Tiger shark
Galeocerdo cuvier



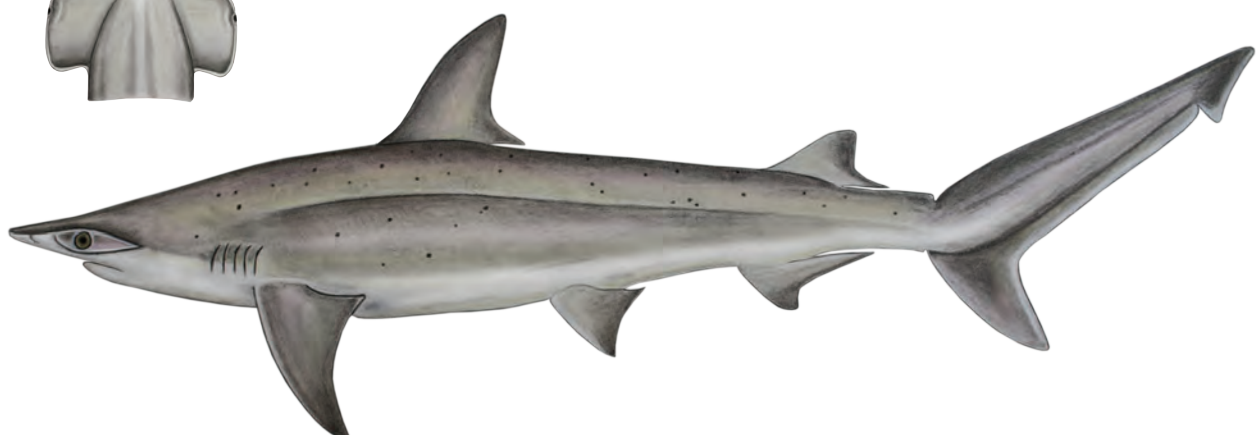
Nurse shark
Ginglymostoma cirratum



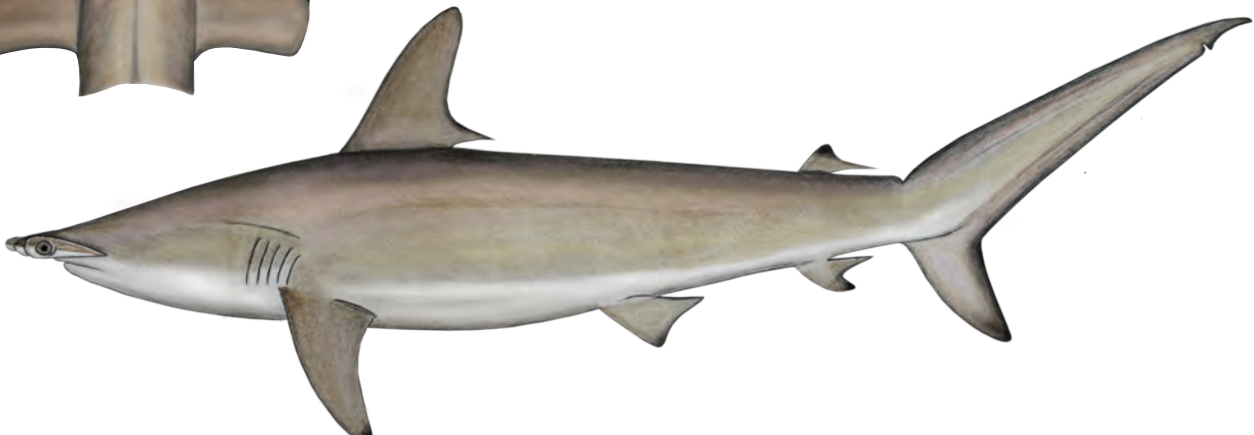
Gulper shark
Centrophorus granulosus



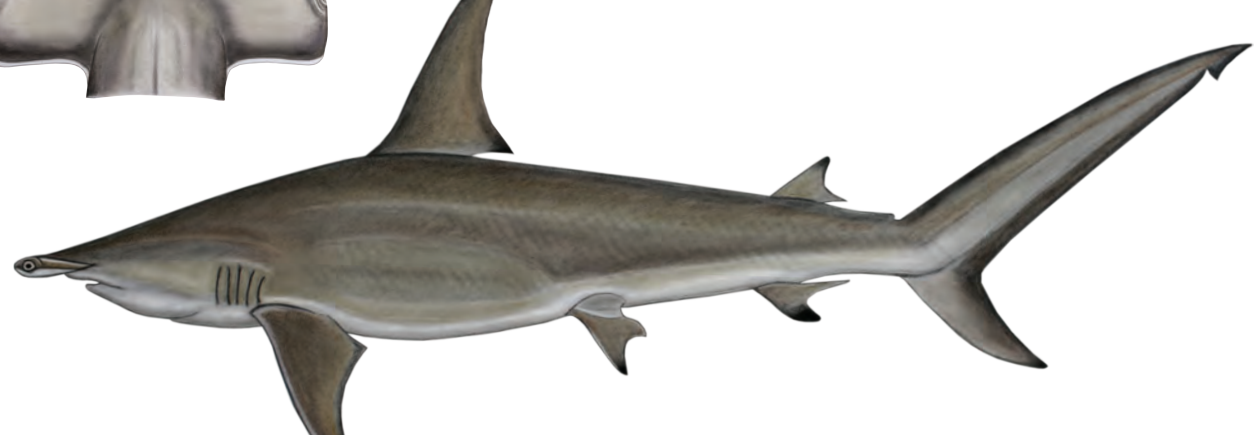
Gulf smoothhound
Mustelus sinusmexicanus



Bonnethead
Sphyrna tiburo



Scalloped hammerhead
Sphyrna lewini



Great hammerhead
Sphyrna mokarran

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