

## BONY FISHES

## SCORPAENIDAE

***Scorpaena normani*** Cadenat, 1943

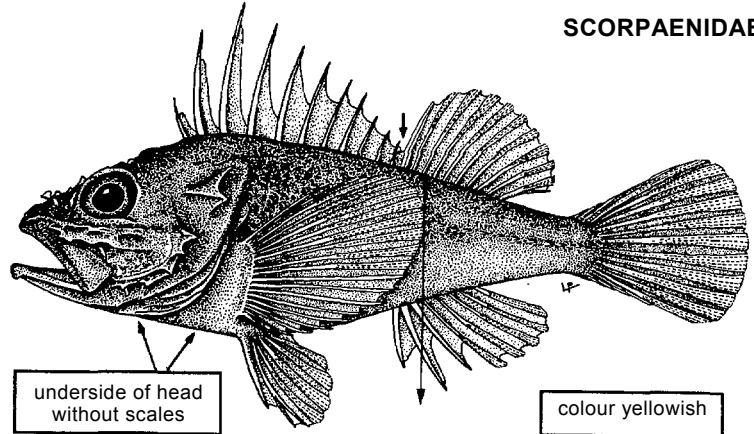
**FAO names :** En - Norman's rockfish; Fr - Rascasse de Norman; Sp - Rascacio de Norman.

**Size :** about 20 cm.

**Fishing gear :** bottom trawls, bottom set longlines.

**Habitat :** continental shelf, from 50 to 300 m depth.

**Loc.name(s) :**

***Scorpaena scrofa*** Linnaeus, 1758

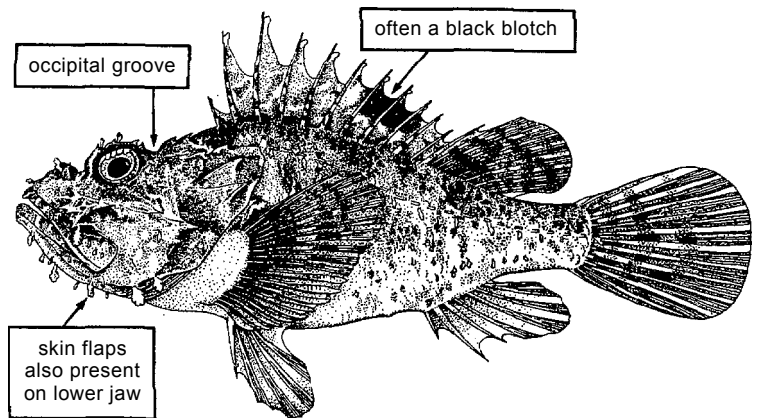
**FAO names :** En - Red scorpionfish; Fr - Rascasse rouge; Sp - Cabracho.

**Size :** 66 cm, common to 30 cm.

**Fishing gear :** bottom trawls, bottom set longlines.

**Habitat :** demersal on rocky, sandy or muddy bottoms, from 20 to 200 m depth.

**Loc.name(s) :**

***Scorpaena stephanica*** Cadenat, 1943

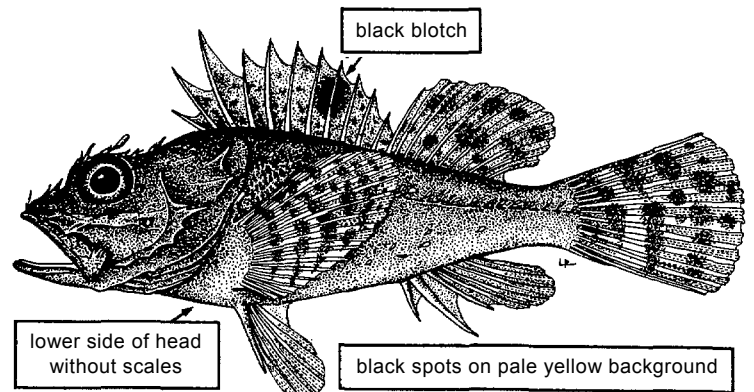
**FAO names :** En - Spotted-fin rockfish; Fr - Rascasse à nageoires tachetées; Sp - Rascacio del Cabo.

**Size :** about 40 cm.

**Fishing gear :** bottom trawls, bottom set longlines.

**Habitat :** on sandy, muddy and rocky bottoms between 75 and 200 m depth.

**Loc.name(s) :**

***Setarches guentheri*** Johnson, 1862

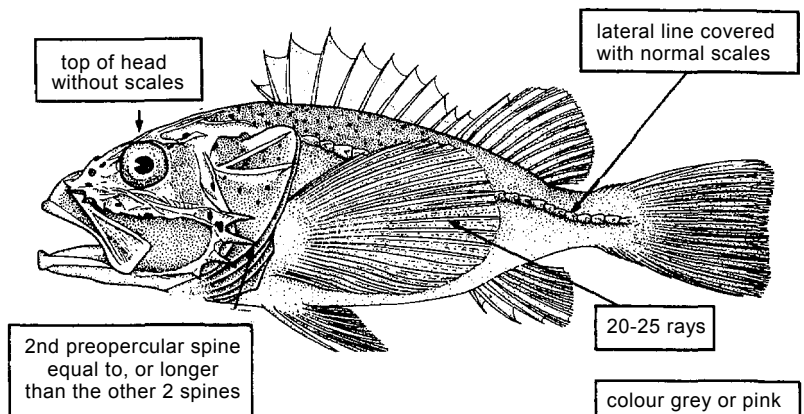
**FAO names :** En - Deepwater scorpionfish; Fr - Rascasse serran; Sp - Rascacio serrano.

**Size :** 24 cm.

**Fishing gear :** bottom trawls, bottom set longlines on the continental edge and slope.

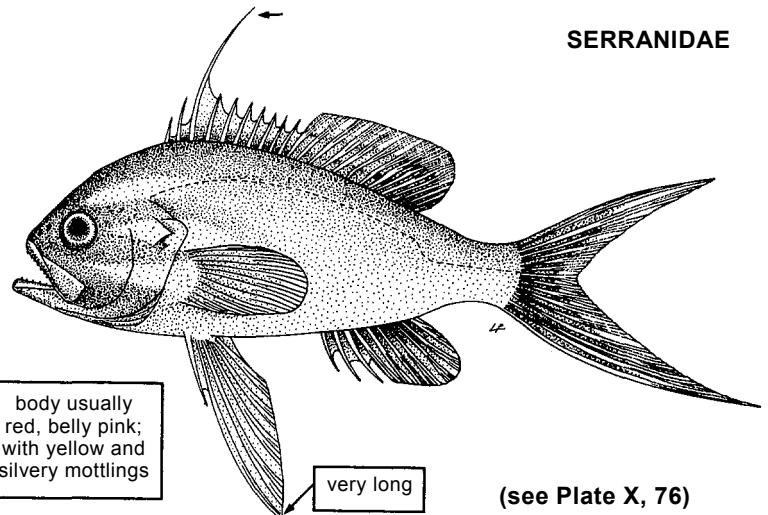
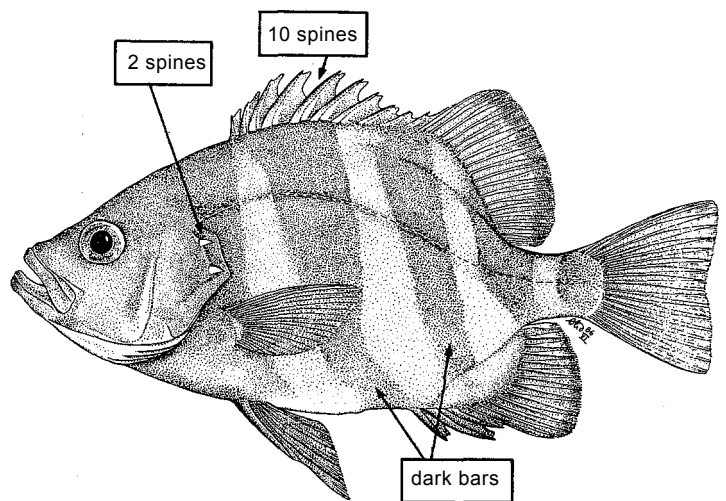
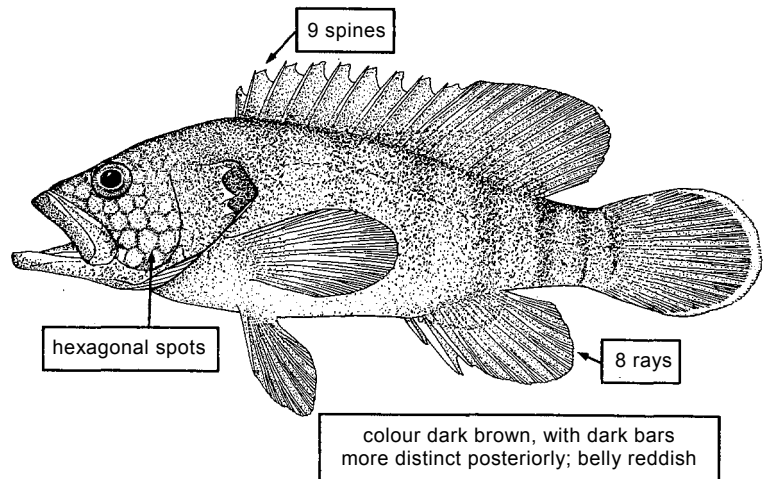
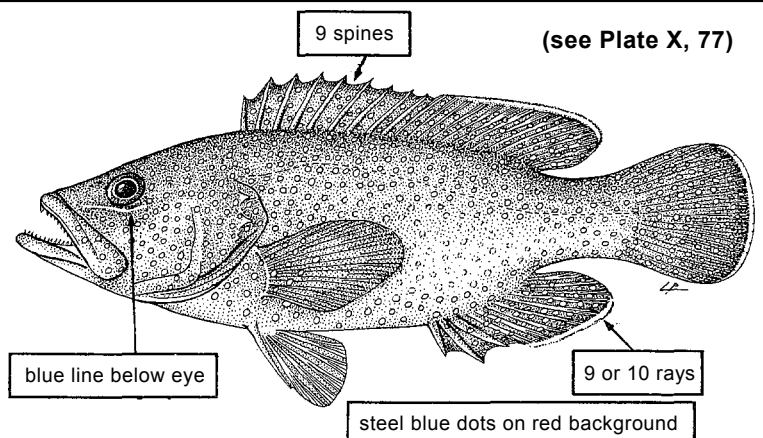
**Habitat :** demersal, between 180 and 700 m depth.

**Loc.Name(s) :**



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SERRANIDAE

***Anthias anthias*** (Linnaeus, 1758)**FAO names** : En - Swallowtail seaperch; Fr - Barbier-hirondelle; Sp - Tres colas.**Size** : 27 cm, common to 20 cm.**Fishing gear** : bottom trawls, line gear.**Habitat** : around rocks, and specially in coral reefs to 300 m depth.**Loc.name(s)** :***Centrarchops chapini*** Fowler, 1923**FAO names** : En - Barred seabass; Fr - Mérou barré; Sp - Cherna rayada.**Size** : 30 cm, common to 25 cm.**Fishing gear** : bottom trawls.**Habitat** : demersal in coastal waters.**Remarks** : recently placed in the family Dinopercidae.**Loc.name(s)** :***Cephalopholis nigri*** (Günther, 1859)**Synonyms** : *Petrometopon nigri* (Günther, 1859).**FAO names** : En - Niger seabass; Fr - Mérou du Niger; Sp - Cherna del Niger.**Size** : 30 cm, common to 25 cm.**Fishing gear** : bottom trawls, hook-and-line.**Habitat** : on sandy and rocky bottoms to about 75 m depth.**Loc.name(s)** :***Cephalopholis taeniops*** (Valenciennes, 1828)**FAO names** : En - Bluespotted seabass; Fr - Mérou à points bleus; Sp - Cherna colorada.**Size** : 70 cm, common to 35 cm.**Fishing gear** : bottom trawls, line gear.**Habitat** : rocky bottoms coral reefs and sandy bottoms between 3 and 75 m depth.**Loc.name(s)** :

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***Epinephelus aeneus*** (Geoffroy St. Hilaire, 1809)

SERRANIDAE

**Synonyms** : *Serranus aeneus* (Geoffroy St. Hilaire, 1809).

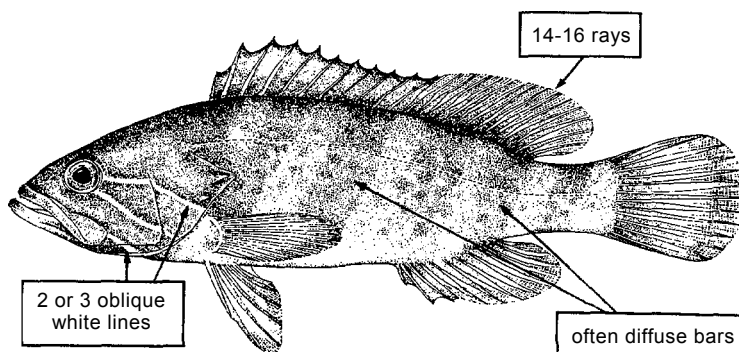
**FAO names** : **En** - White grouper; **Fr** - Mérou blanc; **Sp** - Cherna de ley.

**Size** : at least 115 cm, common to 60 cm.

**Fishing gear** : bottom trawls, handlines, longlines, trammel nets.

**Habitat** : mainly on sandy and muddy bottoms from the coastline to about 100 m depth.

**Loc.name(s)** :



(see Plate X, 78)

***Epinephelus costae*** (Steindachner, 1878)

**Synonyms** : identified as *Epinephelus alexandrinus* (non Valenciennes, 1828) by many authors.

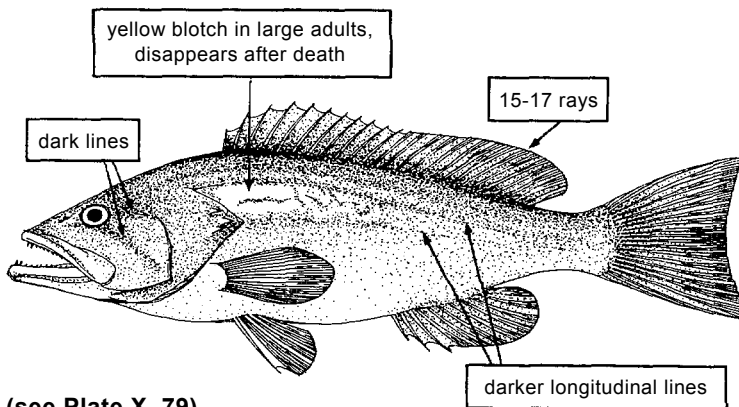
**FAO names** : **En** - Golden grouper; **Fr** - Mérou badèche; **Sp** - Falso abadejo.

**Size** : 170 cm, common to 45 cm.

**Fishing gear** : bottom trawls, trammel nets, line gear.

**Habitat** : on rocky and sandy bottoms from 10 to 75 m depth.

**Loc.name(s)** :



(see Plate X, 79)

***Epinephelus goreensis*** (Valenciennes, 1830)

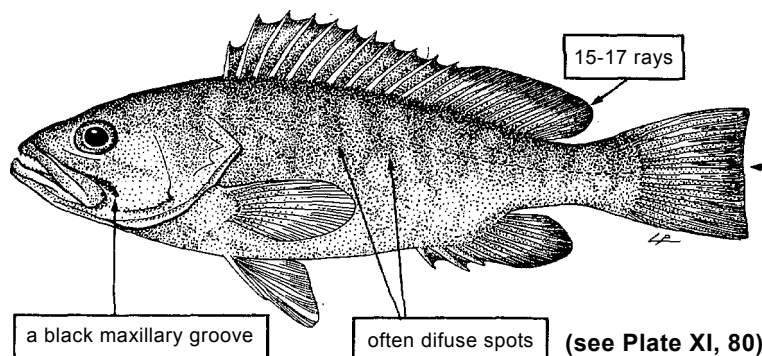
**FAO names** : **En** - Dungat grouper; **Fr** - Mérou dungat; **Sp** - Mero de Gorea.

**Size** : 80 cm, common to 35 cm.

**Fishing gear** : bottom trawls, bottom set longlines, hook-and-line.

**Habitat** : on rocky bottoms from the coastline to about 100 m depth.

**Loc.name(s)** :



(see Plate XI, 80)

***Epinephelus guaza*** (Linnaeus, 1758)

**Synonyms** : *Epinephelus gigas* (Brünnich, 1768).

**FAO names** : **En** - Dusky grouper; **Fr** - Mérou noir; **Sp** - Mero.

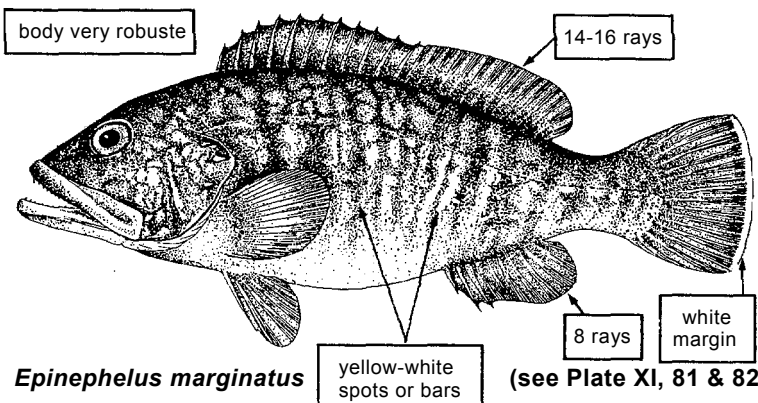
**Size** : 150 cm, common to 90 cm.

**Fishing gear** : bottom trawls, line gear, trammelnets.

**Habitat** : on rocky and sandy bottoms from the coastline (juveniles) to 150 m depth (adults).

**Remarks** : according to Heemstra & Randall (in press), the name *guaza* Linnaeus, 1758 is doubtful and hence, cannot be used as a valid name for any species. Furthermore, two species were so far lumped under the name *E. guaza*, namely *E. marginatus* (Lowe, 1834) and *Epinephelus haifensis* Ben-Tuvia, 1953, both occurring in the area. *E. haifensis* is distinguished from *E. marginatus* in having 9 anal fin rays (instead of 8) and being dark brown, without light blotches on body.

**Loc.name(s)** :



***Epinephelus marginatus***

(see Plate XI, 81 & 82)