

Port Jackson Sharks

Fact sheet



What do they look like?

They have a blunt head and markings across their body, as though they were wearing a harness.

Where do they live?

Port Jackson sharks are found in the southern Australian waters

What do they eat? And How?

Sea urchins, molluscs, crustaceans and fish. Their jaw is specially shaped to crush hard shells, it is more like a grinding plate.

Are they dangerous to humans?

They are thought to be harmless to humans, but we should still play it safe!



Fun fact!

They have the rare ability to eat and breathe at the same time!

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The Port Jackson sharks lay eggs. They are spiral shaped and look like seaweed. Mum lays the egg, then puts it in her mouth and uses the spiral shape to hide her egg amongst the rocks. The eggs are made out of keratin, the same protein as our hair and nails!

