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**Goblin
Sharks**

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Swimming

Along

A strange shark swims slowly along the ocean floor. Its long **snout** slices through the water. Thornlike teeth fill its mouth. This goblin shark looks like a nightmare. And it's on the hunt.

The shark senses a fish. Quickly, its jaw shoots out, grabbing the **prey**. Its neck balloons as the shark swallows the meal. Finished, the fearsome shark snaps its jaw back.





WEIGHT
UP TO 463
POUNDS
(210 kilograms)

Animal or Alien?

Goblin sharks don't look like most sharks. A goblin shark's head is very unusual. Its snout sticks out from its mouth. Like its body, the shark's snout is long and skinny. This shark has a special jaw too. When attacking, the jaw moves forward and its sharp teeth pierce prey.



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Goblin Shark?**
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LENGTH
up to 12.5
FEET
(4 meters)

GOBLIN SHARK FEATURES

LONG SNOOT

SMALL EYES

SOFT, FLABBY SKIN

EXTENDABLE JAW

PINKISH-GRAY COLOR

