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**Hammerhead  
Sharks**

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# Swimming

## Along

A hammerhead shark swims along the ocean floor. It sweeps its head back and forth, searching for **prey**.

A stingray ripples nearby. It **senses** the shark and tries to hide. But it's too late. The shark swoops in. It pins the ray to the ground with its head. There's no escape. It's hammerhead dinnertime!



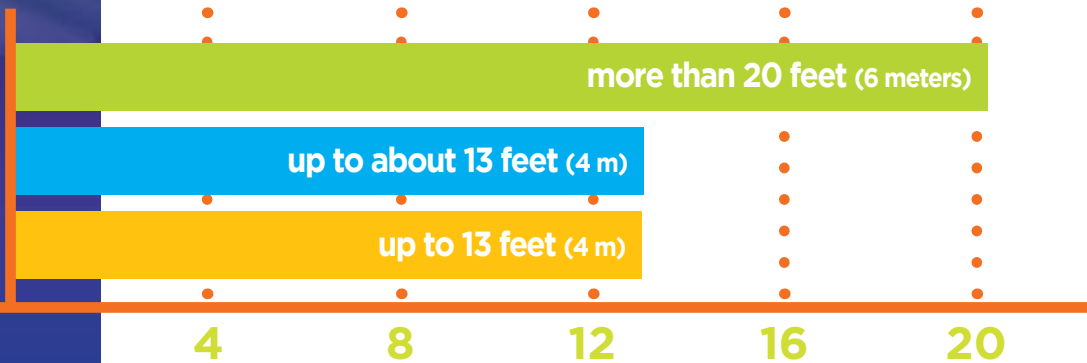


## What's in a Name?

There are many types of hammerheads. Their name comes from the shape of their heads. These sharks have broad, flat heads with eyes on the outside edges. But one head does not fit all. Some hammerhead heads are straight. Others are shaped like shovels.

### COMPARING LENGTHS

great hammerhead  
scalloped hammerhead  
smooth hammerhead



The three largest hammerheads are the great, scalloped, and smooth hammerheads.

# HAMMERHEAD SHARK FEATURES

