

Maunaloa Bay

Pono Fishing Calendar

2019

Overview

This fishing calendar was developed to provide information on the general spawning seasons of the top 15 significant fished species in Maunalua Bay, as well as provide best practices for harvesting other marine species. This information is intended to encourage responsible and sustainable fishing behavior during spawning seasons when species are most vulnerable.

You can use this calendar to track your own fishing behavior and observations, such as what you catch, how many, where, time of day, and any other notes that may help you to refine your fishing practices and become a better marine steward.

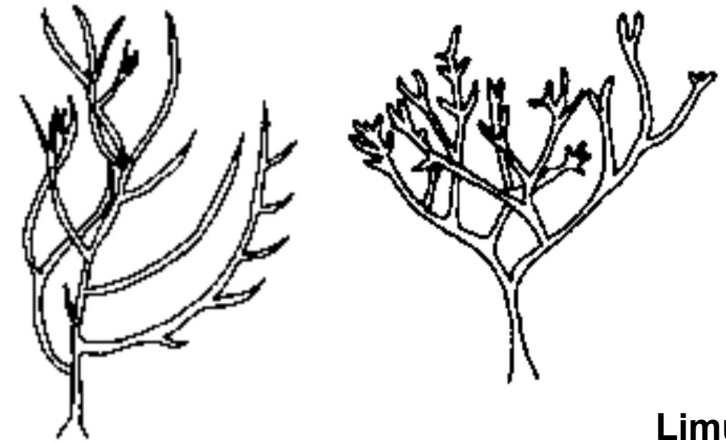
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January

Limu Gathering

It is prohibited to take the holdfast of any limu, the part attaching to a rock or other surface. It is also prohibited to take limu when covered with reproductive nodes or bumps. One pound per person per day for home consumption. These rules protect limu re-growth.

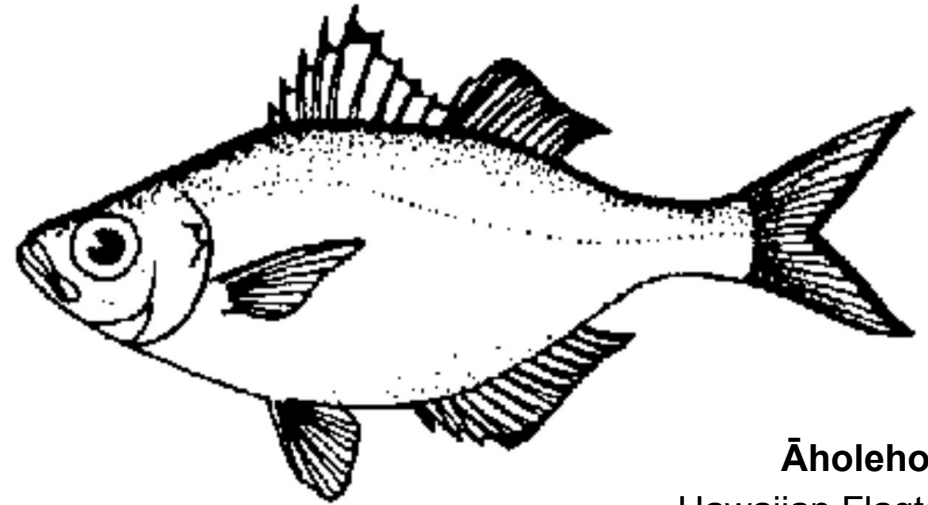


Limu
Seaweed

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February

- **Āholehole** males mature. Peak spawning begins in February and lasts several months.
- **Kumu** peak spawning begins in February and lasts several months.
- **Manini** peak spawning begins in February and lasts several months (Feb - June).

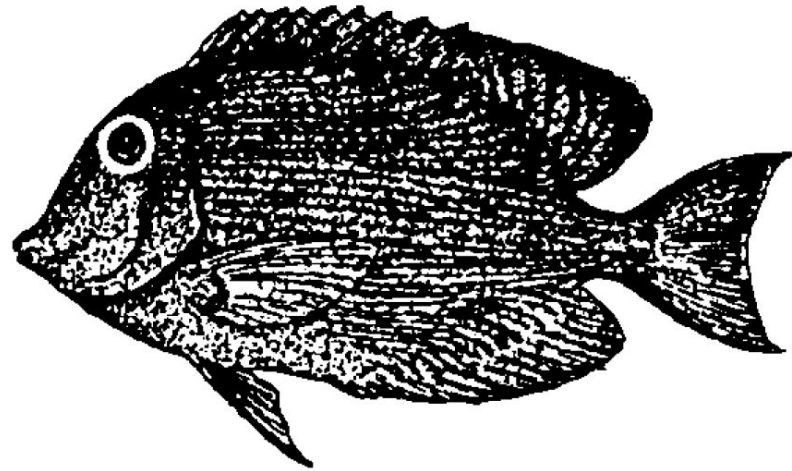


Āholehole
Hawaiian Flagtail
Kuhlia xenura

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March

- **Kole** can spawn in every month, but March is often a peak spawning time.
- **Weke 'ula** peak spawning begins in March and lasts until June.
- Harvest other species with care.

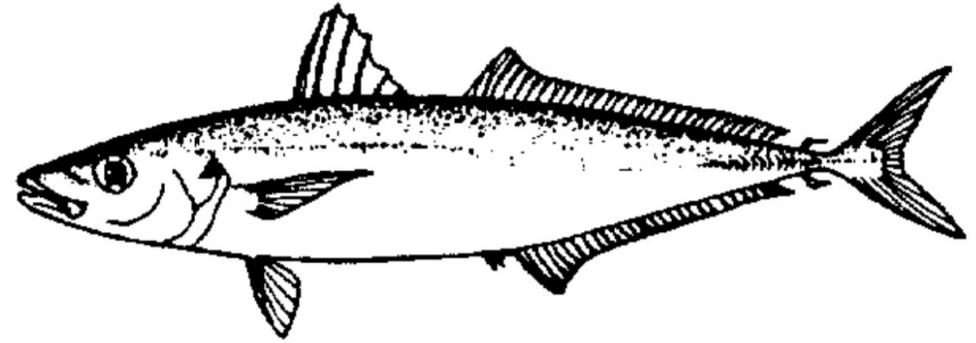


Kole
Goldring Surgeonfish
Ctenochaetus strigosus

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April

- **Opelu** peak spawning begins in April and lasts several months (April - Aug).
- **Awa** peak spawning season begins in April and lasts several months (April - July).
- **Weke 'ā** peak spawning begins in April and lasts until June.



Opelu
Mackerel Scad
Decapterus macarellus

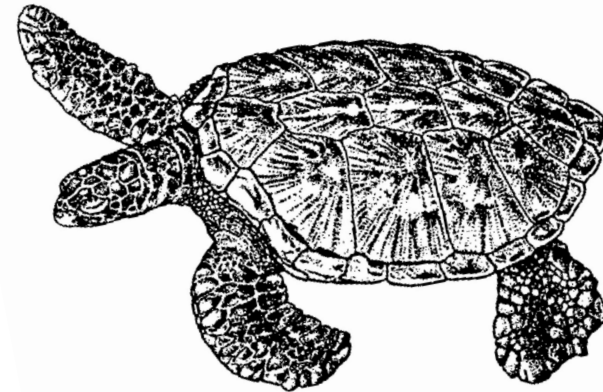
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May

- **Honu** nesting primarily takes place in May through August.
- **'Ōmilu** peak spawning begins in May and lasts till August.

Safe Fishing Practices for Sea Turtles

As a preventative measure to ensure that turtles are not accidentally caught - do not cast line in areas that turtles have been spotted surfacing for air. Areas where turtles are spotted surfacing, increases the chances of accidental capture.



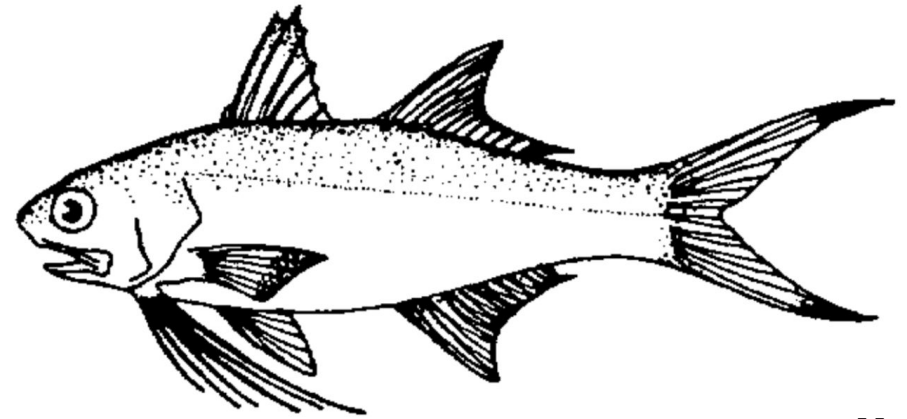
Honu
Sea Turtle

Chelonia mydas, Eretmochelys imbricata

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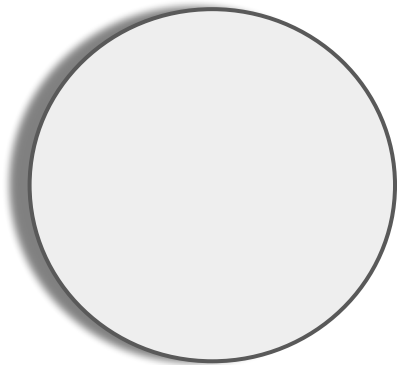
- **Moi** peak spawning begins in June and ends in August. Harvesting is prohibited.
- **Uhu** peak spawning begins in June and last several months. A kapu may be needed so that the local uhu population can recover.
- Harvest other species with care.



Moi
Six-fingered Threadfin
Polydactylus sexfilis

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July



Night Fishing and Diving

Harvesting while night diving is one of the most efficient modes of fishing since many species are vulnerable at that time. Be sure to limit your nighttime fishing to seasons and species that are not spawning or otherwise vulnerable.

Mahealani

Excellent shoreline fishing and deep sea fishing

Lono

Excellent pole fishing, torch fishing, and diving

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August

Harvesting 'Opihi

- Minimum size for 'opihi harvest is 1 ¼ inches shell diameter and ½ inch meat diameter.
- The take of other mollusks, clams, and oysters is prohibited year-round (no open season).



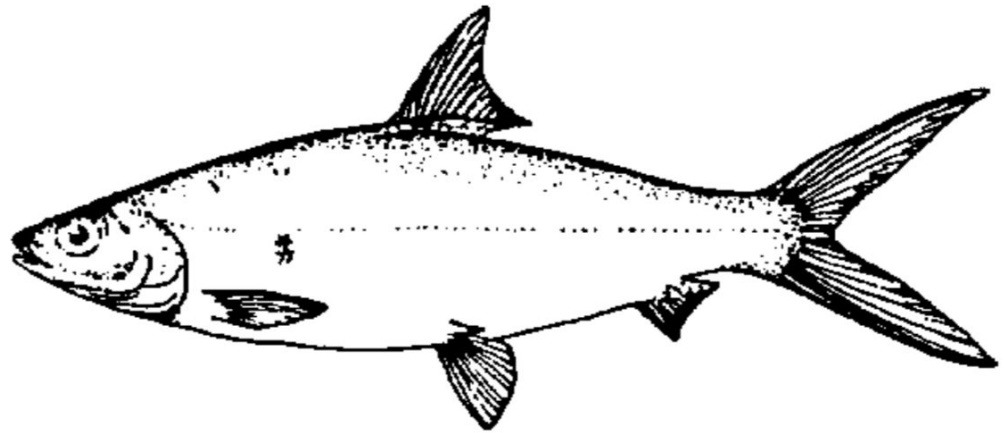
'Opihi

Hawaiian Blackfoot limpet

Cellana exarata

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September



Awa
Milkfish
Chanos chanos

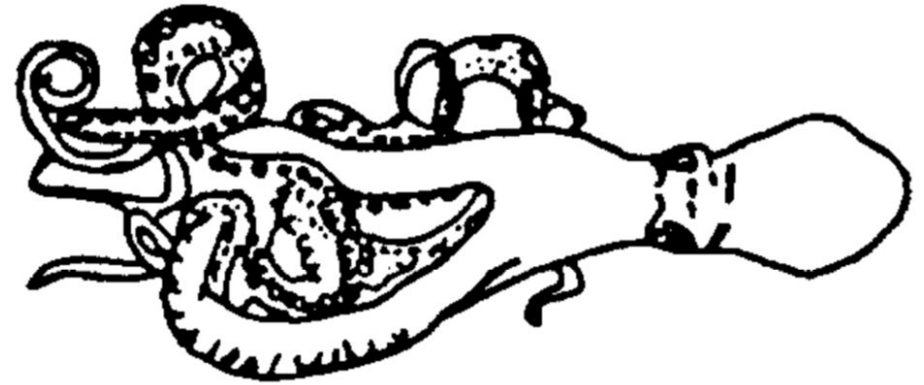
- **Moi** is open for harvest.
- **Awa** peak spawning season begins in September and last several months (September - November)
- Harvest other species with care.

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October

Harvesting He'e

When targeting he'e, carefully lure the octopus out of its lair, checking for eggs before harvest. If the octopus is undersized or eggs are present in the lair, refrain from harvesting to ensure reproductive success.

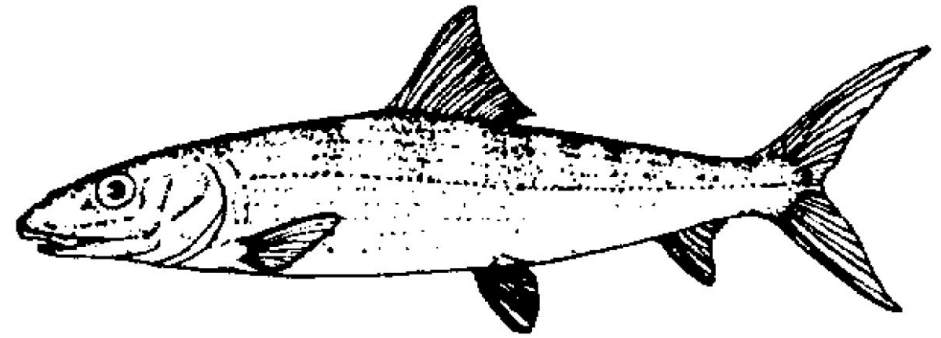


He'e Maui
Day Octopus
Octopus cyanea

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November

- 'Ō'io peak spawning begins in November and lasts several months (Nov - April)
- Kūmū spawning is year round by peaks from November to August.
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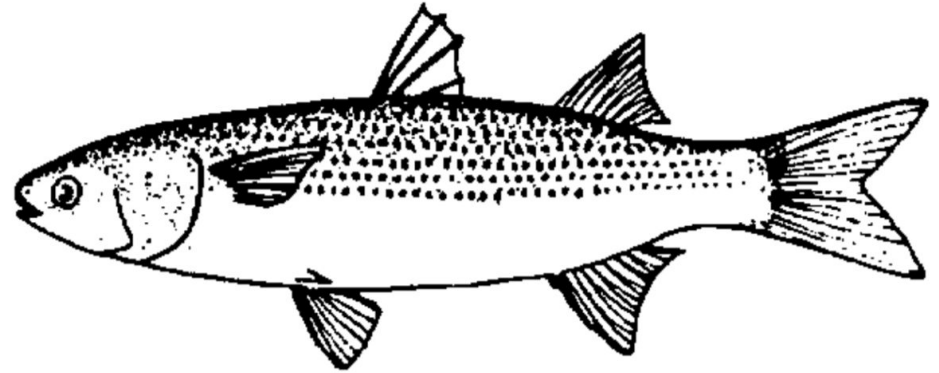


'Ō'io
Bonefish
Albula glossodonta, A. virgata

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December

- 'Ama'ama spawning begins in December and ends in March. Harvesting is prohibited.
- 'O'io peak spawning begins in November and lasts several months (Nov - April).
- Kūmū spawning is year round by peaks from November to August.
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'Ama'ama
Striped Mullet
Mugil cephalus

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