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PELAGIC STINGRAY



Unlike most stingrays, this unique species is characterised by its preference for the open ocean, rather than the ocean floor.

SCIENTIFIC NAME: *Pteroplatytrygon violacea*

DIET: Planktonic crustaceans, jellyfish, squid, octopus, shrimp, small pelagic

fishes.

DISTRIBUTION: Cosmopolitan in all tropical and temperate oceans.

MAXIMUM SIZE: 0.9 m (disc width)

HABITAT: Pelagic

DISTRIBUTION MAP:



CONSERVATION STATUS:



**Least
Concern**