

# SHARK, SKATE & RAY EGGCASES NW EUROPE



## SKATE/RAYS

DESPITE TRULY BEING SKATE, MANY SPECIES ARE REFERRED TO AS RAYS IN THEIR COMMON NAMES.

Capsule lengths are for soaked eggcases and exclude horns.



**SPOTTED RAY**  
*Raja montagui*

Capsule length: 5-6 cm



**THORNBACK RAY**  
*Raja clavata*

Capsule length: 6-7 cm



**SMALL-EYED RAY**  
*Raja microocellata*

Capsule length: 7-8 cm



**UNDULATE RAY**  
*Raja undulata*

Capsule length: 7-8 cm



**CUCKOO RAY**  
*Leucoraja naevus*

Capsule length: 5-6 cm



**BLONDE RAY**  
*Raja brachyura*

Capsule length: 10-12cm



**STARRY SKATE**  
*Amblyraja radiata*

Capsule length:  
3.5-4.5 cm



**BLUE SKATE**  
*Dipturus batis*

Capsule length: 13-15 cm



**FLAPPER SKATE**  
*Dipturus intermedius*

Capsule length: 15-20 cm

Previously known as  
Common Skate.

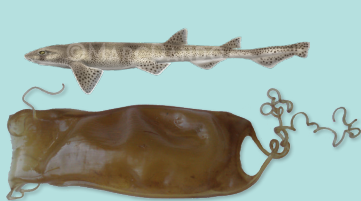


**WHITE SKATE**  
*Rostroraja alba*

Capsule length: 13-15 cm

## CATSHARKS

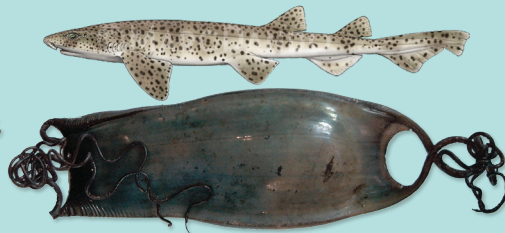
ALSO KNOWN AS DOGFISH - HOWEVER TRUE DOGFISH GIVE BIRTH TO LIVE YOUNG.



**SMALLSPOTTED CATSHARK**

*Scyliorhinus canicula*

Capsule length: 5-7 cm



**NURSEHOUND**

*Scyliorhinus stellaris*

Capsule length: 8-10 cm



**BLACKMOUTH CATSHARK**

*Galeus melastomus*

Capsule length: 4.5-6.5 cm



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