Bottomfish Identification Card

Local name – **Opakapaka**

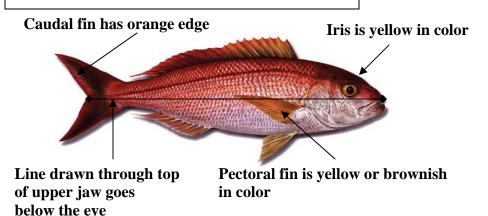
Common name – Pink snapper, looks brown/bronze

Scientific name – *Pristipomoides filamentosus*

Size – up to 20 pounds and 2.5 ft long

Ave. size at first maturity - 20.5 inches

Spawning - June—December



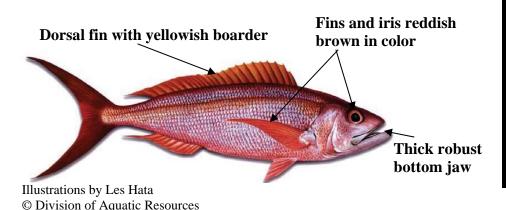
Local name – **Lehi**

Common name – Reddish snapperfish

Scientific name – *Aphareus rutilans*

Size – to 20 lbs, usually 5-12 lbs and up to 3 ft long

Caught while fishing for opakapaka



Local name – **Kalekale**

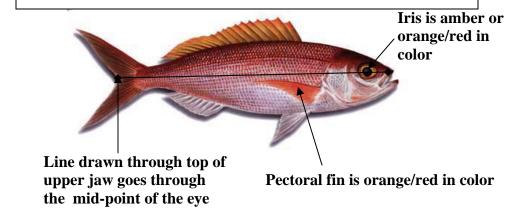
Common name – Von Siebold's snapper, looks brown/bronze

Scientific name – Pristipomoides sieboldii

Size – up to 6 pounds, more commonly 1 - 4 lbs, and up to 1 ft long

Ave. size at first maturity - 11.5 inches

Commonly mis-identified as opakapaka



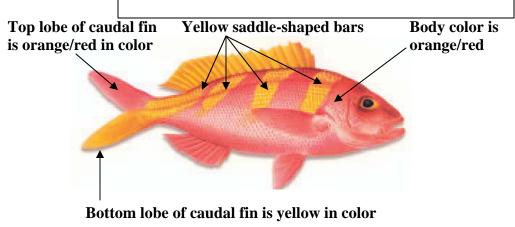
Local name - Gindai

Common name – Flower snapper, Brigham's snapper

Scientific name – *Pristipomoides zonatus*

Size – up to 6 lbs, usually 1-4 lbs and up to 1 ft long

Color—Red with yellow bans/bars



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Local name – **Onaga**, ula ula koae

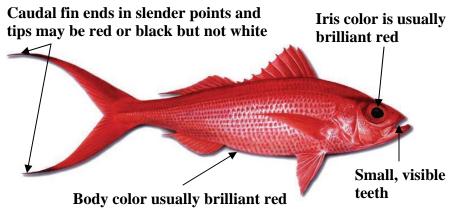
Common name – Scarlet or red snapper

Scientific name - Etelis coruscans

Size – up to 30 pounds and 3 ft long

Ave. size at first maturity - 26.5-28.5 inches

Spawning-June—November



Local name – **Ehu**, ula ula

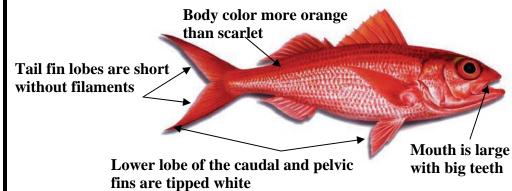
Common name – Red snapper

Scientific name - Etelis carbunculus

Size – up to 12-15 pounds, more commonly in the 1-6 pound range,

and up to 2 ft long

Ave. size at first maturity - 11 inches



Local name – **Hapuupuu**

Common name – Hawaiian Grouper

Scientific name - Epinephelus quernus

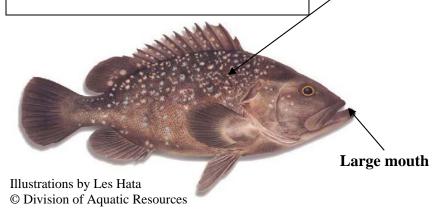
Size – up to 70 lbs and 3 ft long

Ave. size at first maturity - 22.5-24.5 inches

Spawning - April—June

Endemic to Hawaii

Color and spot patterns vary



MHI Bottomfish Fishery Characteristics

- Mixed fleet ranges from "old-style" commercial sanpans to "off the shelf" recreational vessels.
- Vessel size can range from 15-65 feet.
- Hook and line fishery.
- Electric and hydraulic reels are common.
- Terminal gear generally consist of 4-10 baited hooks, large lead weight and chum (palu) bag.
- Bait generally consist of squid or fish.
- One to three fishermen per vessel are common.
- Trip duration usually last a day or overnight, but can range up to 7 days

Photos: Electra-mate (top) and hydraulic (bottom) reels.