

# Spinner Shark

*Carcharhinus brevipinna*



**DESCRIPTION:** Because of the black-tipped fins, many anglers think the Spinner and Blacktip are the same, but they are different species. Overall coloration is similar, but the Spinner is more slender.

**SIZE:** Common from 10 pounds. World record 190 pounds.

**FOOD VALUE:** Very good.

**GAME QUALITIES:** Often makes high, spinning jumps.

**TACKLE AND BAITS:** Medium to heavy spinning tackle and light ocean gear. Cutbaits work pretty well.

**FISHING SYSTEMS:** Casting; Drifting; Still Fishing.

**OTHER NAMES:**

**Large Blacktip  
Shark**

**RANGE:** Gulfwide. More common in warm seasons.

**HABITAT:** Ranges almost anywhere, from the open Gulf to beaches and passes, in search of Mackerel and other schooling fish on which it mostly feeds.