


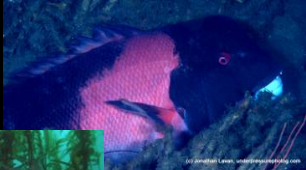





Islands in the Stream

Fish of the California Channel Islands

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<p>REEF 1. Painted Greenling Up to 10 in.</p>  <p><small>© Jonathan Lavan, underwww.reef.org</small></p>	<p>Five to six bold, dark (usually red) bars encircle fins and body. Pointed snout, two pairs of cirri, one above eyes and another midway between eyes and dorsal fin.</p>
<p>REEF 2. California Sheephead Up to 3 ft.</p>   <p><small>Chris Grossman</small></p>	<p>Wrasse Family: JP- bright red with white midbody stripe and large black spots on rear dorsal, anal fins and upper bass of tail. Typically less than 6 in. in length. IP- White chin, pink to reddish brown. Typically 6 to 12 in. TP- White chin, Bulbous hump on nape. Canine teeth protrude from front of mouth.</p>
<p>REEF 3. Kelp Rockfish Up to 17 in.</p>  <p><small>© Jonathan Lavan, underwww.reef.org</small></p>	<p>Larger eye than most Rockfish. Looks sad or simple minded; “Kelp needs Help”. Usually peeking out from substrate.</p>
<p>REEF 4. Blackeye Goby Up to 6 in.</p>  <p><small>© Jonathan Lavan, underwww.reef.org</small></p>	<p>Usually small, blue opalescent spots below eye. Eye often dark. Black edge on foredorsal fin.</p>

5. Senorita

Up to 10 in.



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Wrasse Family: long and cigar shaped. Feeds on plankton. Usually in schools. Also a cleaner fish.

6. Black Perch

Up to 16 in.



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Usually nine diffuse, dusky bars on body. Patch of oddly large scales between pectoral and ventral fin. Wears a mustache.

7. Pile Perch

Up to 17 in.



Rubberlip Seaperch

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Dusky, diffuse bar below front portion of soft dorsal fin with pale area at top (a piling). Black spot behind corner of mouth. More forked tail than other similar species.

8. Blacksmith

Up to 12 in.



Steve Lonhart

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Damselfish Family: feeds on plankton, in schools, in water column. Small black spots over much of body (burned by blacksmith).

9. Garibaldi

Up to 14 in.



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Damselfish Family: Very territorial. Juveniles orange with iridescent blue spots. Adults bright orange. Marine state fish or California. Federally protected



10. Black-and-Yellow Rockfish

Up to 15.5 in.



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Yellow spots and blotches over blackish undercolor. Yellow membrane between third and fourth dorsal fin spines.



11. Olive Rockfish

Up to 24 in.



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Several pale spots (olives) below dorsal and on back. Very similar to Yellowtail which has speckling on sides and a more northern range.



12. Opaleye

Up to 26 in.



Chris Grossman

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Chub Family: one to three white spots on back. Bright blue eye.