

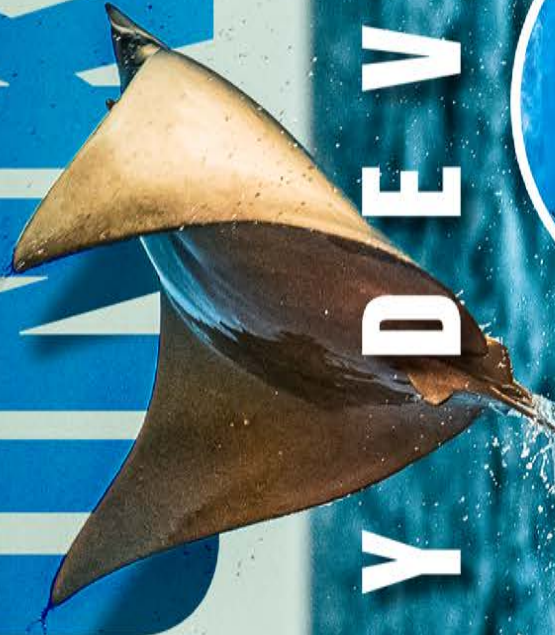


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SHARK **FACTS**

WILDMAN'S



PYGMY DEVIL RAY

CONSERVATION STATUS
 Because of low population growth rates and increased fishing pressure, they are classified as **VULNERABLE** on the IUCN Red List



DID YOU KNOW?

Munk's pygmy devil rays have been found in extremely large aggregations of up to tens of thousands of individuals at certain times of the year in the Sea of Cortez

MUNK'S PYGMY DEVIL RAY

(*Mobula munkiana*)

- ▶ The Munk's pygmy devil ray grows to a width of up to 1.1 meters (3.6 ft), making it the smallest species of devil ray
- ▶ While aggregated, Munk's pygmy devil rays are known to breach regularly, often leaping several meters out of the water!

WHERE DO THEY LIVE?

Munk's pygmy devil rays are found in tropical parts of the eastern Pacific Ocean, ranging from the Gulf of California to Peru, as well as offshore islands such as the Galapagos, Cocos, and Malpelo



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