

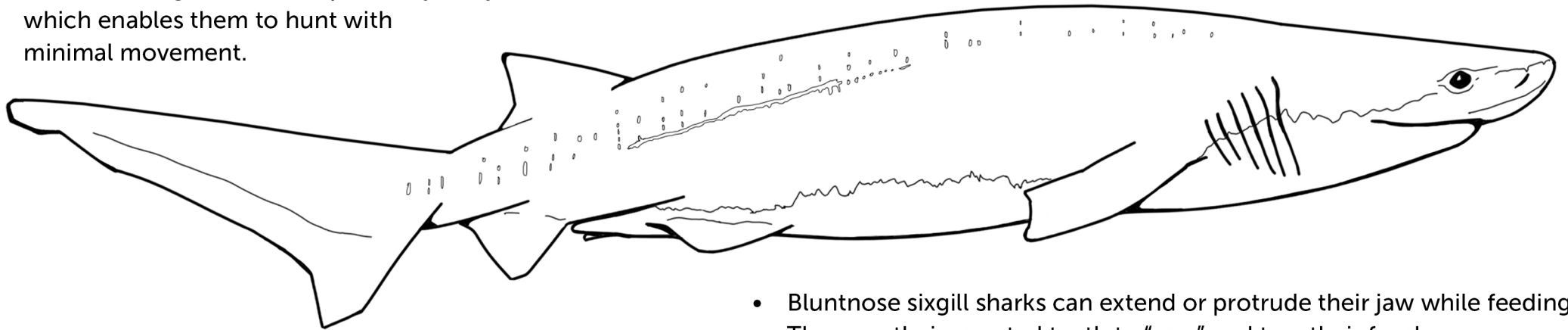
Bluntnose sixgill

(Hexanchus griseus)

- The bluntnose sixgill shark is the largest shark of the cow shark family. Cow sharks are characterized by an additional pair or pairs of gill slits. This species can grow up to 20 ft.

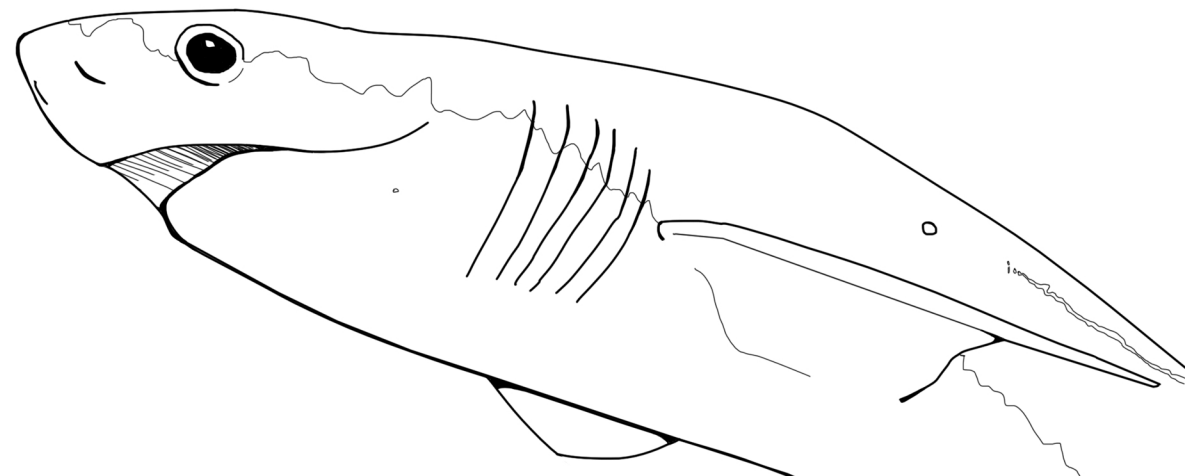
- This deep-water shark is normally found at depths of 590–3,610 ft (179-1100 m). They are distributed throughout tropical and temperate waters worldwide.

- Bluntnose sixgill sharks are positively buoyant, which enables them to hunt with minimal movement.



- Bluntnose sixgill sharks can extend or protrude their jaw while feeding. They use their serrated teeth to “saw” and tear their food.

- Because of increased industrial fishing, which includes trawl and longline fisheries, they are classified as “Near Threatened” on the IUCN Red List.



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