



SHARK FACTS

ACTUAL TOOTH SIZE



GREAT WHITE SHARK

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(*Carcharodon Carcharias*)

- ▶ Pelagic species most commonly occurring in temperate continental shelf waters but also found in estuaries and the open ocean
- ▶ By using a special organ in their circulatory system they can retain heat generated by swimming. This allows them to maintain a body temperature above the ambient water temperature
- ▶ They are aerial acrobats able to breach out of the water
- ▶ Embryos hatch inside the mother and then eat unfertilized eggs (oophagy) until they are born



HOW BIG?

15' ————— 20'

▶ Great whites can reach 15 to 20 feet (4.6 to 6.1 meters) in length