

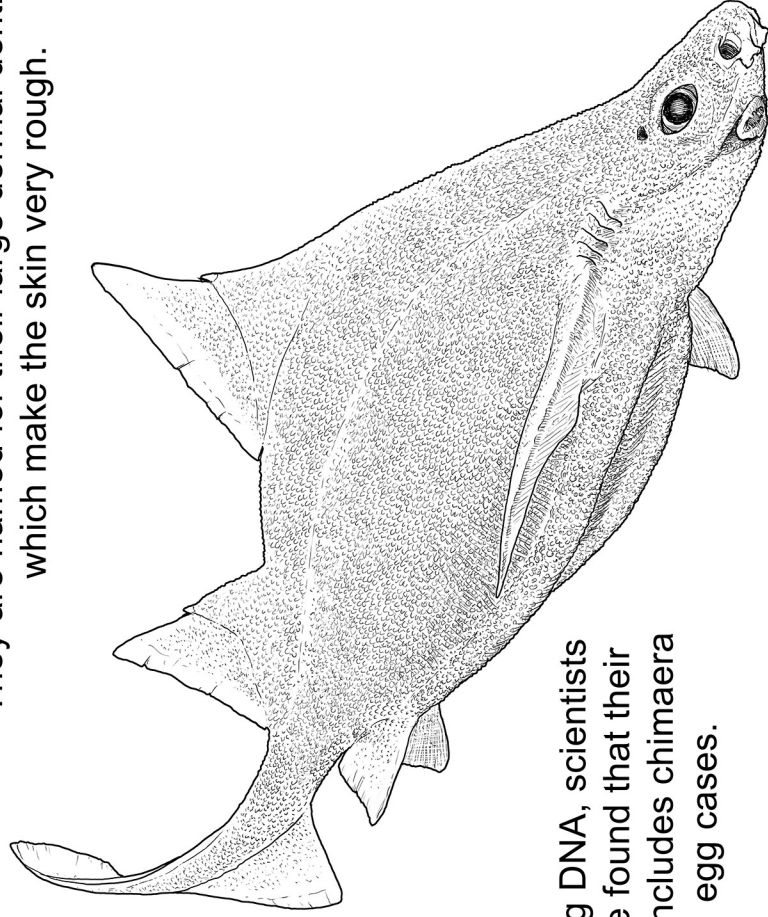


# PRICKLY DOGFISH (OXYNOTUS BRUNIENSIS)

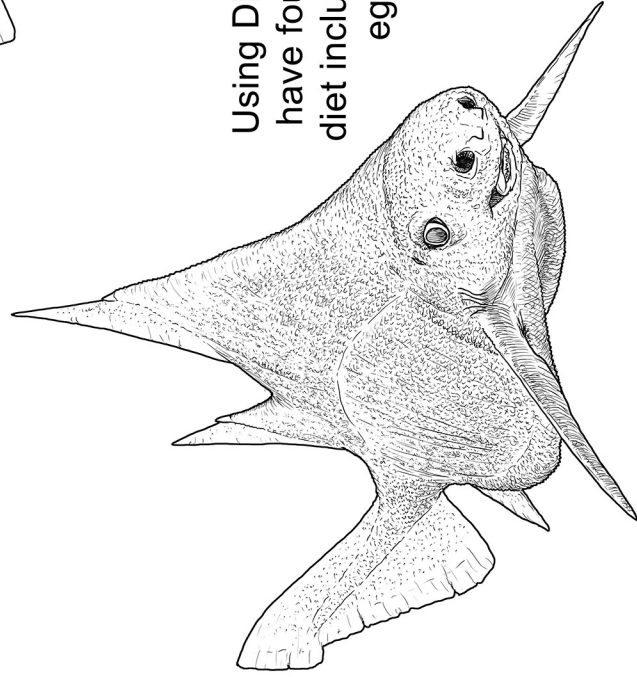
Identified by the very thick body with a prominent "humpback" and 2 tall sail-like dorsal fins.

They are deep-sea sharks found off Australia and New Zealand at depths of 45 to 650 m (147 to 2,132 ft).

They are named for their large dermal denticles, which make the skin very rough.



Using DNA, scientists have found that their diet includes chimaera egg cases.



Listed as 'Near Threatened' by the IUCN Red List of Threatened Species.

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