

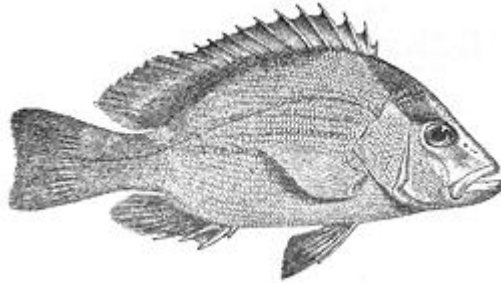


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CRIMSON SNAPPER (INDONESIAN / SCARLET) SUSTAINABILITY FACT SHEET



Latin Name	<i>Lutjanus erythropterus</i>
Area of Catch	Indian Ocean (FAO 57 & 71)
Regulatory Agencies	None

Cannon Fish Company sells Crimson or Scarlet varieties of Snapper from Indonesia, not the more commonly used or known overfished Red Snapper in the Atlantic Ocean.

Snappers grow slowly and have longer time spans. Age of maturity is unknown for most Snapper species, including Crimson, estimates put maturity occurring at around two years. Crimson Snapper live less than 10 years (Blue Ocean Institute).

Snappers caught in Indonesia are identified as 'red snapper' in the Indonesia Capture Fisheries Statistics (MMAF, 2006), regardless of the actual species. In reality a number of snappers are found in Indonesia including Crimson or Scarlet Snapper (Fish Source). The Indonesia government in the late 90's and up to the early 2000's did not consider Snapper as a main focus of export management, because of this, little to no data is available as far as export and population statistics (Sustainability Fisheries Partnership). Due to insufficient information, there is no way to classify Snapper populations in the South Pacific; because of this sustainable fishing levels cannot be set.

Cannon Fish Snapper is caught with artisanal vessels in Indonesia using the hand line or commercial long line methods.