

Scientific Name*Cheilinus undulatus* (Ruppel, 1835)**English**

Humphead/Napoleon wrasse

Creole

Aya zerar

FrenchNapoléon**Photo A****Photo B****IUCN Red List Status:**

Endangered (EN)

Description: This species is readily identifiable. It is the largest species in the wrasse family. It has remarkable colouration ranging from bright metallic blue-green (Photo A) to dull blue green for males and red-orange to olive green for females (Photo B). The scale colouration gives a distinctive tessellated pattern to the flanks. Two black lines run posteriorly from the eyes. There is an intricate pattern of orange-brown lines and spots on the face. Adults exhibit a large prominent hump on the forehead and large fat lips. The caudal fin of juveniles has a prominent yellow margin.

Size: Max Length: 229 cm. Common length: 60 cm TL. Males are typically larger than females, with females rarely exceeding 10 0cm TL.

Voluntary agreed measures: Minimum catch size 60 cm TL