

COMMON TUNA SPECIES IN THE MALDIVES

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Skipjack tuna (*Katsuwonus pelamis*)



Local name: Kalhubilamas

Maturity range: 40-45 cm

Maximum length : 110 cm

Life span: 12 years

Diet: Fish, crustaceans, cephalopods, mollusks, etc.

Yellowfin tuna (*Thunnus albacares*)

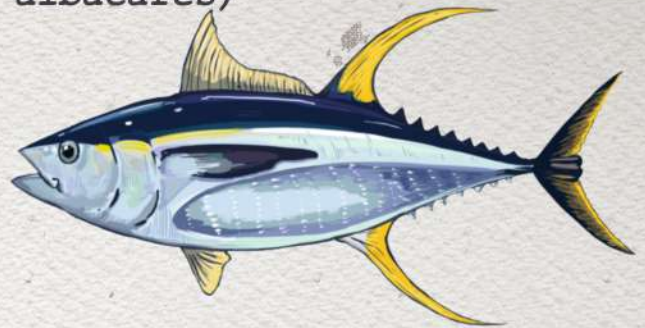
Local name: Reendhoo uraha kanneli

Maturity range: 78-158 cm

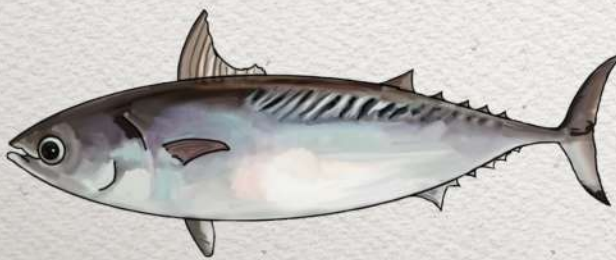
Maximum length: 239 cm

Life span: 9 years

Diet: Fish, crustaceans, squids, etc.



Frigate tuna (*Auxis thazard*)



Local name: Raagondi

Maturity range: > 29 cm

Maximum length: 65 cm

Life span: 5 years

Diet: Small fish, squids, planktonic crustaceans, stomatopod larvae, etc.

Kawakawa (*Euthynus affinis*)

Local name: Latti

Maturity range: 40-65 cm

Maximum length: 100 cm

Life span: 6 years

Diet: Small fish, squids, crustaceans, zooplankton, etc.

