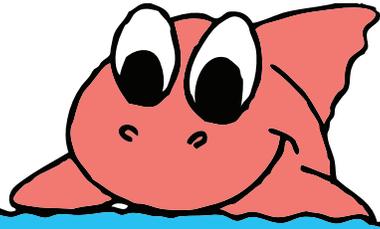


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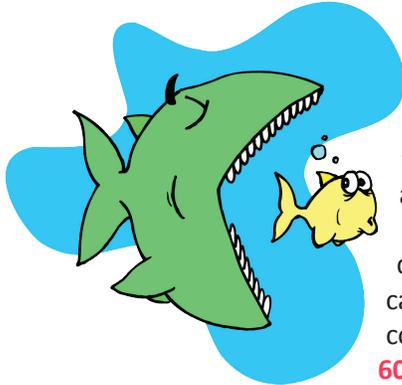


Fish come in all sizes, shapes

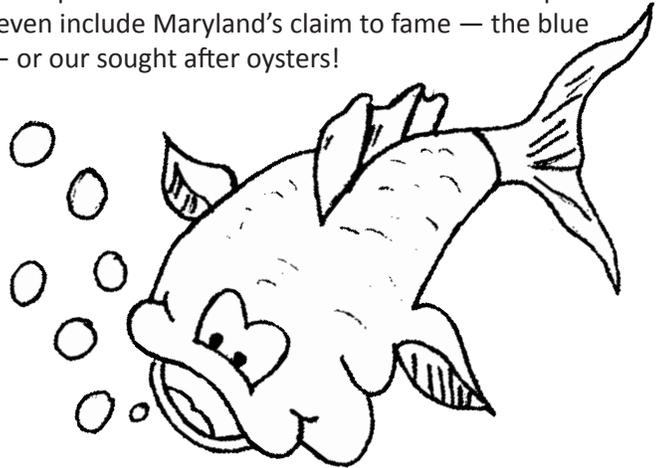
and colors, but this variety is not random. Fish live virtually anywhere there is water, whether it is a clear, fast moving stream, a quiet, weedy pond, or the open waters of the Chesapeake Bay. Some fish are predators, some are prey, and many are

both. The shape of the body, the location and shape of the fins, the location of the mouth, the color – all help determine where the fish lives, what it eats and how it protects itself.

Did you know that depending on where you cast a line in Maryland, you could catch one of more than **60 SPECIES OF FISH?** Our state



has striped bass, white perch and bluefish in the Chesapeake Bay, wild trout in the mountain streams of western Maryland, tidal largemouth bass in the Potomac River and Susquehanna Flats, summer flounder and black seabass in the coastal bays, white marlin and tuna in the Atlantic Ocean and a variety of panfish in ponds across the State. And all these species don't even include Maryland's claim to fame – the blue crab – or our sought after oysters!



SPECIES SODOKU

Fill in the empty boxes so that every row, column and 4-block square contains just one of each type of fish. (No duplicates!) Click on a fish to learn more about it.

 BROOK TROUT	1	2	 WHITE MARLIN
3	 STRIPED BASS	 SUMMER FLOUNDER	4
5	 BROOK TROUT	 WHITE MARLIN	6
 STRIPED BASS	7	8	 SUMMER FLOUNDER

Answer Key: 1. Summer Flounder; 2. Striped Bass; 3. White Marlin; 4. Brook Trout; 5. Summer Flounder; 6. Striped Bass; 7. White Marlin; 8. Brook Trout

IT'S GREAT OUTSIDE!

The best way to learn about aquaculture is hands-on: go fishing! Anglers 15 years and younger do not need a license to fish, year-round. Parents can join for no cost on DNR's free fishing day this month, July 4.

DNR invites young anglers to keep up-to-date on youth fishing events by joining the free **MARYLAND YOUTH FISHING CLUB**, and encourages anglers of all ages to share their photos and experiences through the **MARYLAND ANGLER'S LOG**.

