



# SHARKS of Atlantic Canada

**1. Basking Shark**  
*Cetorhinus maximus*  
Body length 2 - 10m  
Depth 0 - 2000m  
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**2. Sand Tiger Shark**  
*Odontaspis taurus* or  
*Eugomphodus taurus* or  
*Carcharias taurus*  
Body length 1.2m - 2.7m  
Depth < 200m  
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**3. Spiny Dogfish**  
*Squalus acanthias*  
Body length .35 - 1.3m  
Depth < 300m  
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**4. Porbeagle Shark**  
*Lamna nasus*  
Body length .7 - 3m  
Depth < 1360m  
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**5. Blue Shark**  
*Prionace glauca*  
Body length 1 - 4m  
Depth < 200m  
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**6. Shortfin Mako Shark**  
*Isurus oxyrinchus*  
Body length < 4m  
Depth < 500m  
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**7. Smooth Dogfish**  
*Mustelus canis*  
Body length < 1.5m  
Depth < 200m  
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**8. Atlantic Sharpnose**  
*Rhizoprionodon terraenovae*  
Body length 1 - 1.2m  
Depth < 50m  
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**9. Thresher Shark**  
*Alopias vulpinus*  
Body length 2 - 5m  
Depth < 350m  
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**10. Smooth Hammerhead Shark**  
*Sphyrna zygaena*  
Body length 2 - 4m  
Depth > 20m  
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**11. Dusky Shark**  
*Carcharhinus obscurus*  
Body length 2 - 3m  
Depth < 200m  
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**12. Great White Shark**  
*Carcharodon carcharias*  
Body length 2 - 6.6m  
Depth < 1280m  
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**13. Tiger Shark**  
*Galeocerdo cuvier*  
Body length 1 - 5.5m  
Depth < 140m  
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**14. Oceanic Whitetip Shark**  
*Carcharhinus longimanus*  
Body length 1.5 - 4m  
Depth < 150m  
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**15. Greenland Shark**  
*Somniosus microcephalus*  
Body length 2 - 5m  
Depth 0 - 2000m  
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**16. Portuguese Shark**  
*Centroscymnus coelepis*  
Body length .5 - 1.2m  
Depth > 500m  
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**17. Black Dogfish**  
*Centroscyllium fabricii*  
Body length .6 - .84m  
Depth 275 - 1600m  
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**18. Rough Sage**  
*Etmopterus princeps*  
Body length .55 - .75m  
Depth 570 - 2200m  
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**19. Deepsea Cat Shark**  
*Apristurus profundorum*  
Body length .5m  
Depth > 660m  
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**GRAPHICS KEY**

- Common species
- Rare species

Frequency of sightings per month

Month

January December

- Rare/few seasonal sightings
- Occasional seasonal sightings
- Common seasonal sightings