Sheepshead Minnow: Cyprinodon variegatus



The Sheepshead Minnow is neither a Sheepshead (Family Sciaenidae) or a Minnow (Family Cyprinidae), but is a member of the Pupfish family (Cyprinodontidae). This species is abundant in shallow, nearshore estuarine areas throughout the southeastern United States and is incredibly tolerant of a wide range of salinities and temperatures. Maximum size is typically less than 3 in.

Sailfin Molly: Poecilia latipinna

The Sailfin Molly inhabits freshwater and brackish regions of the Southeastern United States. Their common name comes from the fact that males develop an enlarged dorsal fin which they use to attract females. They can often be seen in shallow water habitats of the Lake Pontchartrain Basin.

