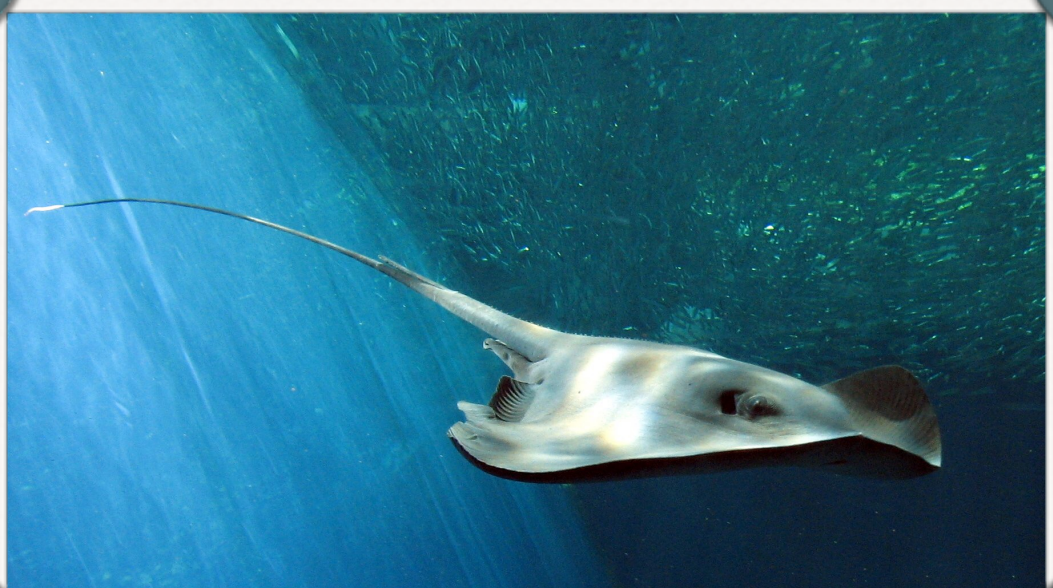


# STINGRAYS

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*(because I didn't get the turtle) by Tephon Yukon*



# BASIC FACTS ABOUT STINGRAYS

- Stingrays belong to the Phylum \_\_\_\_\_ and the Class \_\_\_\_\_.
- Their skeleton is made up of \_\_\_\_\_, which can be found in your ears and nose.
- Their \_\_\_\_\_ can help them reflect the seafloor's shading, \_\_\_\_\_ them from predators.
- They are closely related to \_\_\_\_\_.
- They're wingspan can range from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_.





- They have a \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ body.
- .....
- They are cold-blooded and like to live close to the shore in \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ waters.
- They have \_\_\_\_\_ fins. They run along the whole length of their body.
- Their fins look like \_\_\_\_\_, and when they move them it looks like they're flying.
- They have \_\_\_\_\_ which can be used to crush \_\_\_\_\_ of their prey.





- Their eyes on the top of their heads. It helps them see all ..... around. They come in handy when they're hiding.
- Even though their eyes are placed on top of their head to see better, they do not use them to hunt.



- Their mouths are \_\_\_\_\_ their body.
- Stingrays have sensors called the \_\_\_\_\_. It helps them sense small \_\_\_\_\_ given off by prey. They are located around the mouth.





- Like other fish, stingrays breathe through \_\_\_\_\_.
- ..... They are located on the bottom side of their body.
- They also have a special pair of gills called \_\_\_\_\_. They are located near their eyes. They help them breathe when their body is under sand.
- They have a long, thin tail with a \_\_\_\_\_. It's used to defend themselves.
- On the spine, they have small points called \_\_\_\_\_. They would tear the skin, causing harm and pain.



# MANTA RAYS

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- They're preferred diet is \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
- They have a \_\_\_\_\_ mouth.
- They \_\_\_\_\_, following each other in a train of open \_\_\_\_\_.
- They have slow \_\_\_\_\_ rate.
- Their wingspan can go up to \_\_\_\_\_.
- They are one of the largest rays.

# LINKS

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- <http://youtu.be/yfgJx-ShRGI>
- <http://youtu.be/Mc3NTnoGzwE>
- [http://ngm.nationalgeographic.com/2009/07/manta-rays/  
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