

Monterey Bay Aquarium® Seafood Watch®

The Monterey Bay Aquarium Seafood Watch program creates science-based recommendations that help consumers and businesses make ocean-friendly seafood choices. Carry this guide with you and share it with others to help spread the word.

BEST CHOICES

Aku/Skipjack Tuna (Pacific troll, pole and line)
 Akule/Big-eye Scad (HI net)
 Arctic Char (farmed)
 Barramundi (US & Vietnam farmed)
 Bass: Striped (US hook and line, farmed)
 Clams, Mussels & Oysters
 Kāmano/Salmon (AK & New Zealand)
 Limu/Ogo/Seaweed (farmed)
 Lionfish (US)
 Lobster: Spiny (Mexico)
 'Ōpae/Prawn: Freshwater (Canada & US)
 'Ōpae/Shrimp (US farmed & AK)
 Opelu/Mackerel Scad (HI net)
 Pāpa'i/Crab: King, Snow & Tanner (AK)
 Rockfish (AK, CA, OR & WA)
 Sardines: Pacific (Canada & US)
 Scallops (farmed)
 Shutome/Swordfish (Canada & US buoy, handline, harpoon)
 Tilapia (Canada, Ecuador, Peru & US)
 Tombo/Albacore Tuna (troll, pole and line)

GOOD ALTERNATIVES

'Ahi/Yellowfin Tuna (free school, troll, pole and line, US longline)
 Aku/Skipjack Tuna (free school, US longline, imported troll, pole and line)
 Ehu/Red Snapper (HI)
 Hapu'upu'u/Hawaiian Grouper (HI)
 Hebi/Shortbill Spearfish (imported)
 He'e/Octopus (Portugal & Spain pot, trap & HI)
 Kajiki/Blue Marlin (HI)
 Mahi Mahi (Ecuador & US longline)
 Onaga/Ruby Snapper (HI)
 Ono/Wahoo (HI)
 'Ōpae/Shrimp (Canada & US wild, Ecuador & Honduras farmed)
 Opah/Moonfish (HI)
 Opakapaka/Pink Snapper (HI)
 Pāpa'i/Crab: Dungeness (Canada & US)
 Tilapia (China, Colombia, Honduras, Indonesia, Mexico & Taiwan)
 Tombo/Albacore Tuna (US longline)
 Uku/Gray Snapper (HI)
 Yellowtail (US gillnet)

AVOID

'Ahi/Yellowfin Tuna (longline except US)
 Aku/Skipjack Tuna (imported purse seine)
 He'e/Octopus: Common (Portugal & Spain trawl, Mexico)
 Kajiki/Blue Marlin
 Mahi Mahi (imported)
 Manō/Sharks
 Ono/Wahoo (imported)
 'Ōpae/Shrimp (imported)
 Opah/Moonfish (imported)
 Orange Roughy
 Pāpa'i/Crab (Asia & Russia)
 Salmon: Atlantic (farmed)
 Sardines: Atlantic (Mediterranean)
 Shutome/Swordfish (imported longline)
 Snapper (Brazil)
 Tombo/Albacore Tuna (imported except troll, pole and line)
 Tuna: Bluefin

Many seafood items appear in more than one column. Please be sure to check them all.

Best Choices

Buy first, they're well managed and caught or farmed responsibly.

Good Alternatives

Buy, but be aware there are concerns with how they're caught or farmed.

Avoid

Take a pass on these for now, they're overfished or caught or farmed in ways that harm other marine life or the environment.

This guide includes some of our recommendations for popular seafood. **For the full list, visit us online or download our app.**

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Take Action

Be part of the solution and make a difference for our ocean: **ASK** "Do you sell sustainable seafood?" Let businesses know this is important to you. **BUY** Best Choices. If unavailable, look for Good Alternatives or the eco-certified options found on our app and website. **CHOOSE** Seafood Watch partners from our app or website when dining and shopping.

Your Choices Matter

Many of the fish we enjoy are in trouble due to destructive fishing and farming practices. Purchase seafood caught or farmed in ways that support a healthy ocean—now and for future generations.