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Fishes of the Sea of Oman

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Abstract

This study assembled a comprehensive list of fish species for the Oman Sea (Gulf of Oman). The areas considered were focused on the northeast coast of Oman, the short eastern coast of the UAE, the southern coast of Iran, and the westernmost part of the Baluchistan/Pakistan coast. Our findings suggested the presence of 1047 species in 2 classes, 39 orders, 164 families, and 526 genera. Class Actinopteri had 947 species (90.44% of total species), and 100 (9.56%) species belong to Elasmobranchii. A total of 86 species were recorded for the first time from the Oman Sea in this study. The highest species number was recorded for the order and family of Acanthuriformes (225 species) and Carangidae (57 species), respectively. Using IUCN categories, the conservation statuses of fishes in the Oman Sea are: 114 Not Evaluated, 77 Data Deficient, 747 species of Least Concern, 19 Near Threatened, 43 Vulnerable, 26 Endangered, and 21 in Critically Endangered.

Keywords: Checklist, Oman Sea, Conservation status, Biodiversity

INTRODUCTION

The Sea of Oman (also known as the Makran Sea and Gulf of Oman) connects the Arabian Sea to the Persian Gulf through the Hormuz Strait. The Oman Sea is 560 km long and 320 km wide, located north of the Tropic of Cancer. It is considered a subtropical sea and has a tropical Indian Ocean fauna. The Oman Sea is separated from the Persian Gulf in the northwest by a line joining Ràs Limah (25°57'N, 56°28'E) on the coast of Oman and Ràs al Kuh (25°48'N, 57°18'E) on the coast of Iran; and from the Arabian Sea in the southeast by a line joining Ràs al Hadd on Oman (22°32'N, 59°48'E) and Ràs Jiyùni (25°01'N, 61°44'E) on the coast of Pakistan (IHO 2002). The average depth is 200 m in coastal areas and exceeds 3000 m in offshore regions (Pous et al. 2004). The Sea of Oman region comprises a large sedimentary prism accreted during the Cenozoic (Farhoudi & Karig 1977; Platt et al. 1985). The surface water temperature ranges from about 33°C in August to 20°C in January (Ghazi et al. 2021). The Sea of Oman is considered a zoogeographic boundary between the western Indian Ocean and the Indo-Polynesian Provinces (Briggs

1974). Both the Northeast and Southwest monsoons influence the Sea of Oman, and it includes extremely productive areas due to nearly continuous upwelling off the Oman coast (Sharp 1995). Areas with seasonal upwelling occur off the coasts of Iran and Pakistan, resulting in periods of high productivity.

The northwestern Indian Ocean, including the Sea of Oman, the Persian Gulf, and the Arabian Sea, is among the eight most important marine zoogeographic regions of the world (Costello et al. 2017), and discoveries of new fish species have been numerous in recent years (Nelson et al. 2016). Several researchers have studied the fish diversity of the Makran Sea. Blegvad & Løppenthin's systematic survey was carried out in 1937-38 by Danish researchers at the Persian government's request in the Makran Sea and the Persian Gulf, and was published in 1944. Their field survey included 10 stations along the northern coast of the Sea of Oman (Blegvad & Løppenthin 1944). Randall (1996) published a book, "Coastal Fishes of Oman," which studied 980 coastal (defined as those occurring in less than 200 meters deep) fish species around Oman, including the Sea of

Oman. Hence, providing an updated checklist of the Sea of Oman and accurately using scientific names are essential to effectively communicate research results.

MATERIAL AND METHODS

This checklist is based on published records and direct examination of specimens in various ichthyological collections, including those from Iran (e.g., IMNRFI-UT, Ichthyological Museum of Natural Resources Faculty, University of Tehran, and Iranian Natural History Museum). Some of these records/specimens are the result of extensive field expeditions from 2018 to January 2025. The higher classification follows Fricke et al. (2025a), the family classification follows van der Laan et al. (2014), updated according to Fricke et al. (2025b). The deadline for including taxa in this checklist was 20 November 2025.

Collection acronyms: ANSP, The Academy of Natural Sciences of Drexel University; AMNH, The American Museum of Natural History, New York, NY, U.S.A.; BMNH, The Natural History Museum, London, U.K.; FMNH, Field Museum of Natural History, Chicago, IL, U.S.A.; MCZ, Museum of Comparative Zoology, Harvard College, Boston, MA, U.S.A.; MNHN, Muséum National d'Histoire Naturelle, Paris, France; NRM, Naturhistoriska Riksmuseet, Department of Vertebrate Zoology, Ichthyology Section, Stockholm, Sweden; SAIAB, South African Institute for Aquatic Biodiversity, National Research Foundation, Grahamstown, South Africa; TAC, Tarbiat Modares Aquatic animal Collection, Department of Marine Biology, Department of Marine Biology, Iran; USNM, Smithsonian Institution National Museum of Natural History, Department of Vertebrate Zoology, Division of Fishes, Washington D.C., U.S.A.; WAM, Western Australian Museum, Perth, WA, Australia; ZMMU, Zoological Museum, Biological Faculty, M. V. Lomonosov Moscow State University, Russia; ZMUC, Københavns Universitet, Zoologisk Museum, Vertebrater, Fiskesamlingen, Copenhagen, Denmark.

Study area: Gulf of Oman/Sea of Oman: northeast coast of Oman, a short eastern shore of the UAE, the south coast of Iran, and the westernmost part of the

coast of Baluchistan/Pakistan

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

RESULTS

Here, 1047 species comprise 2 classes, 39 orders, 164 families, and 526 genera. Class Actinopteri had 947 species (90.44% of total species), and 100 (9.56%) species belong to Elasmobranchii. Fish species recorded from the studied areas are listed, regarding conservation status by IUCN categories are distributed in the frequency of 114 (10.46 in Not Evaluated (NE), 77 (7.35%) in Data Deficient (DD), 747 (71.34%) in the Least Concern (LC), 19 (1.81%) in Near Threatened (NT), 43 (4.10%) in Vulnerable (VU), 26 (2.48%) in Endangered (EN) and 21 (2.00%) in Critically Endangered (CR) classes (Fig. 1). Our findings confirmed the occurrence of 86 species from the studied areas for the first time (Table 1). Also, in order level, the highest species number was recorded for Acanthuriformes (225 species; 21.49%), followed by Carangiformes (126 species; 12.03%), Gobiiformes (90 species; 8.60%), Perciformes (80 species; 7.64%), Blenniiformes (68 species; 6.49%), and Syngnathiformes (47 species; 4.49%). In the family level, the highest number of species was found in Carangidae (57 species), followed by Gobiidae (54 species), Lutjanidae (39 species), Apogonidae (35 species), Sciaenidae (34 species), and Epinephelidae (36 species).

Class: Elasmobranchii

Order: Orectolobiformes

Family: Rhincodontidae

Genus: *Rhincodon* Smith 1828

1. *Rhincodon typus* Smith 1828-Whale shark

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Compagno (1984a); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Parsa et al. (2018); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2021): Endangered (EN).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical and warm temperate seas (including Gulf of Mexico, Caribbean Sea, Mediterranean Sea, Red Sea, Persian Gulf, Sea of Japan).

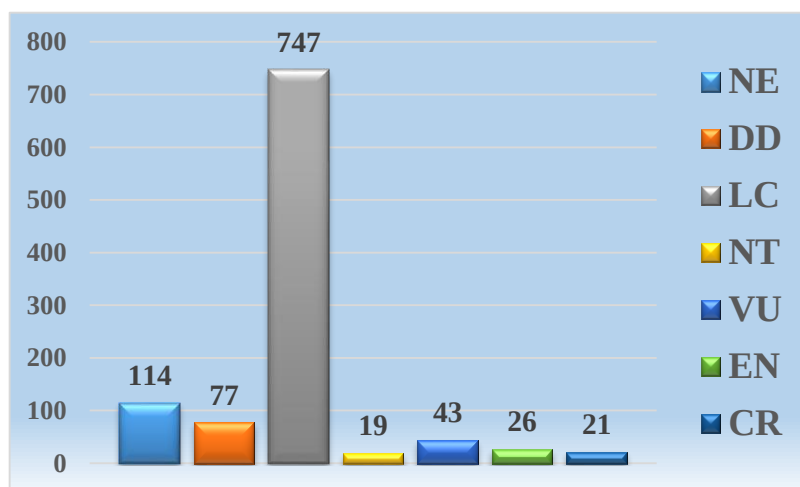


Fig.1. Number of each category of the IUCN list based on fish species occurrence.

Table 1. List of confirmed occurrences of species from the studied areas for the first time.

Species		Species	
1	<i>Iago omanensis</i>	44	<i>Scomberoides commersonnianus</i>
2	<i>Carcharhinus plumbeus</i>	45	<i>Selar crumenophthalmus</i>
3	<i>Torpedo panthera</i>	46	<i>Coryphaena hippurus</i>
4	<i>Pristis pristis</i>	47	<i>Ambassis gymnocephalus</i>
5	<i>Congrus maldivensis</i>	48	<i>Halidesmus thomasi</i>
6	<i>Gymnothorax flavoculus</i>	49	<i>Haliophis diademus</i>
7	<i>Gymnothorax pictus</i>	50	<i>Atherinomorus lacunosus</i>
8	<i>Gymnothorax punctatus</i>	51	<i>Iso natalensis</i>
9	<i>Uroconger lepturus</i>	52	<i>Poecilia latipinna</i>
10	<i>Anguilla bicolor</i>	53	<i>Osteomugil perusii</i>
11	<i>Sardinella albella</i>	54	<i>Antennablennius adenensis</i>
12	<i>Sardinella gibbosa</i>	55	<i>Antennablennius bifilum</i>
13	<i>Encrasicholina gloria</i>	56	<i>Antennablennius hypenetes</i>
14	<i>Chirocentrus nudus</i>	57	<i>Antennablennius simonyi</i>
15	<i>Dussumieria acuta</i>	58	<i>Antennablennius variopunctatus</i>
16	<i>Harpadon nehereus</i>	59	<i>Aspidontus dussumieri</i>
17	<i>Saurida macrolepis</i>	60	<i>Cirripectes filamentosus</i>
18	<i>Carapus mouri</i>	61	<i>Entomacrodus striatus</i>
19	<i>Upeneus tragula</i>	62	<i>Petroscirtes mitratus</i>
20	<i>Centriscus scutatus</i>	63	<i>Plagiotremus rhinorhynchus</i>
21	<i>Syngnathoides biaculeatus</i>	64	<i>Plagiotremus townsendi</i>
22	<i>Archamia bleekeri</i>	65	<i>Caesio varilineata</i>
23	<i>Jaydia ellioti</i>	66	<i>Dipterygonotus balteatus</i>
24	<i>Jaydia lineata</i>	67	<i>Etelis carbunculus</i>
25	<i>Ostorhinchus cookii</i>	68	<i>Etelis coruscans</i>
26	<i>Ostorhinchus cyanosoma</i>	69	<i>Lipocheilus carnolabrum</i>
27	<i>Ostorhinchus fasciatus</i>	70	<i>Acanthopagrus bifasciatus</i>
28	<i>Pristipogon exostigma</i>	71	<i>Lethrinus nebulosus</i>
29	<i>Amblygobius albimaculatus</i>	72	<i>Scolopsis taeniata</i>
30	<i>Apocryptodon madurensis</i>	73	<i>Atractoscion microlepis</i>
31	<i>Asterropteryx semipunctata</i>	74	<i>Acanthocephala abbreviata</i>
32	<i>Bathygobius cyclopterus</i>	75	<i>Chelidoperca investigatoris</i>
33	<i>Bathygobius meggitti</i>	76	<i>Epinephelus latifasciatus</i>
34	<i>Favonigobius melanobranchus</i>	77	<i>Halichoeres nigrescens</i>
35	<i>Favonigobius reichei</i>	78	<i>Halichoeres marginatus</i>
36	<i>Fusigobius inframaculatus</i>	79	<i>Ratabulus melanopterus</i>
37	<i>Glossogobius tenuiformis</i>	80	<i>Terapon puta</i>
38	<i>Valenciennea sexguttata</i>	81	<i>Parascombrops pellucidus</i>
39	<i>Cynoglossus carpenteri</i>	82	<i>Drepane longimana</i>
40	<i>Atule mate</i>	83	<i>Equulites lineolatus</i>
41	<i>Carangoides armatus</i>	84	<i>Deveximentum insidiator</i>
42	<i>Decapterus russelli</i>	85	<i>Zanclus cornutus</i>
43	<i>Platyacanthus talamparoides</i>	86	<i>Chelonodon patoca</i>

Family: Hemiscylliidae Gill 1862

Genus: *Chiloscyllium* Müller & Henle 1837

2. *Chiloscyllium arabicum* Gubanov 1980-Arabian Carpet shark

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2017): Near Threatened (NT).

Distribution: Western Indian Ocean: India, Pakistan, and the Persian Gulf between Iraq and the Arabian Peninsula.

3. *Chiloscyllium griseum* Müller & Henle 1838-Grey Bamboo shark

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Compagno (1984a); Pakistan: Compagno (1984a).

Material: LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2020): Vulnerable (VU)

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Arabian Sea to Pakistan, India, Malaysia, Thailand, Indonesia, China, Japan, the Philippines, Papua New Guinea, north to Japan.

4. *Chiloscyllium indicum* (Gmelin 1789)-Slender Bamboo shark

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Zugmayer (1913), Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2020): Vulnerable (VU).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Pakistan, India, Bangladesh, and Sri Lanka, east to western Indonesia, north to Japan and China.

Family: Stegostomatidae Gill 1862

Genus: *Stegostoma* Müller & Henle 1837

5. *Stegostoma tigrinum* (Forster 1781)-Zebra shark

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1889); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015) as *S. fasciatum*.

IUCN (2023): Endangered (EN).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Persian Gulf, Madagascar, and Mauritius (Mascarenes) east to Marshall Islands and Samoa, north to southern Japan, south to Western Australia, New South Wales (Australia), and New Caledonia.

Family: Ginglymostomatidae

Genus: *Nebrius* Rüppell 1837

6. *Nebrius ferrugineus* (Lesson 1831)-Tawny nurse shark

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Compagno (1984a).

IUCN (2020): Vulnerable (VU).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: South Africa, Persian Gulf, Seychelles, Madagascar and western Mascarenes east to Society Islands and Marquesas, north to southern Japan, south to northern Australia and New Caledonia.

Order: Lamniformes

Family: Carchariidae

Genus: *Carcharias* Rafinesque 1810

7. *Carcharias taurus* Rafinesque 1810-Sand tiger shark

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Human (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2020): Critically Endangered (CR).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical through warm temperate seas (including Mediterranean Sea, Red Sea, Persian Gulf), but not eastern and central Pacific.

8. *Carcharias tricuspidatus* Day 1878- Indian sand tiger

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Day (1878).

IUCN (2020): Critically Endangered (CR).

Distribution: Red Sea, Indo-West Pacific.

Family: Alopiidae

Genus: *Alopias* Rafinesque 1810

9. *Alopias pelagicus* Nakamura 1935-Pelagic thresher

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Human (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Parsa et al. (2018); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2018): Endangered (EN).

Distribution: Circumglobal (including Red Sea and Gulf of California/Mexico).

Remarks: Reliable records are lacking partly due to its confusion with *Alopias vulpinus*.

10. *Alopias superciliosus* Lowe 1841-Bigeye thresher

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -;

Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2018): Vulnerable (VU).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical and temperate seas (including Gulf of California/Mexico, Caribbean Sea, Mediterranean Sea). Highly migratory species, Annex I of the 1982 Convention on the Law of the Sea (FAO 1994).

11. *Alopias vulpinus* (Bonnaterre 1788)-Common thresher

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Human (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2018): Vulnerable (VU).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical through temperate seas (including Gulf of California/Mexico, Caribbean Sea, Mediterranean Sea, Black Sea, western Baltic Sea, North Sea).

Family: Lamnidae

Genus: *Carcharodon* Smith, 1838

12. *Carcharodon carcharias* (Linnaeus 1758)-Great white shark

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1892) as *Carcharias lamia*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Zugmayer (1913) as *Carcharias lamia*.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2018): Vulnerable (VU).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical and temperate seas (including Gulf of California/Mexico, Gulf of Mexico, Caribbean Sea, Mediterranean Sea, South China Sea, Yellow Sea, Sea of Japan).

Genus: *Isurus* Rafinesque 1810

13. *Isurus oxyrinchus* Rafinesque 1810-Shortfin mako

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Compagno (1984a); Oman: Boulenger (1889) as *Lamna spallanzanii* and *L. glauca*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2018): Endangered (EN).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical through temperate seas (including Caribbean Sea, North Sea, Mediterranean Sea, Red Sea and Sea of Japan).

14. *Isurus paucus* Guitart Manday 1966-Shortfin mako

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2018): Endangered (EN).

Distribution: Nearly circumglobal in tropical and subtropical seas (including Caribbean Sea, Mediterranean Sea).

Order: Carcharhiniformes

Family: Scyliorhinidae Gill 1862

Genus: *Atelomycterus* Garman 1913

15. *Atelomycterus marmoratus* (Anonymous [Bennett] 1830)-Coral catshark

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Compagno (1984b)

IUCN (2020): Near Threatened (NT).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Pakistan and India, east to Philippines, north to China, south to Papua New Guinea

Genus: *Galeocerdo* Müller & Henle 1837

16. *Galeocerdo cuvier* (Péron & Lesueur 1822)-Tiger shark

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Compagno (1984b); Oman: Boulenger (1889) as *Galeocerdo tigrinus*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2018): Near Threatened (NT).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical, temperate and subarctic seas (including Gulf of California/Mexico, Caribbean Sea, Red Sea, Persian Gulf, South China Sea, Sea of Japan), vagrant in Mediterranean Sea.

Genus: *Negaprion* Whitley 1940

17. *Negaprion acutidens* (Rüppell 1837)-Sicklefin lemon shark

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1889) as *Carcharias acutidens*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Zugmayer (1913) as *Carcharias acutidens*, Compagno (1984b).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2020): Endangered (EN).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Seychelles, Madagascar, Mauritius (Mascarenes), and Persian Gulf east to Marshall Islands and Society Islands, north to Ryukyu Islands,

south to Rottnest Island (Western Australia), Queensland (Australia), Chesterfield Islands, and New Caledonia.

Genus: *Rhizoprionodon* Whitley 1929

18. *Rhizoprionodon acutus* (Rüppell 1837)-Milk shark

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Compagno (1984b); Oman: Boulenger (1892) as *Carcharias acutus*; UAE: -; Iran: Parsa et al. (2018); Pakistan: Zugmayer (1913) as *Carcharias acutus*, Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman), LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2020): Vulnerable (VU).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical through warm temperate seas (including Mediterranean Sea, Red Sea, Persian Gulf).

19. *Rhizoprionodon oligolinx* Springer 1964-Grey sharpnose shark

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2021): Near threatened (NT).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf east to Gulf of Thailand, south to Australia.

Genus: *Scoliodon* Müller & Henle 1838

20. *Scoliodon laticaudus* Müller & Henle 1838-Spadenose shark

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Compagno (1984b); Pakistan: Zugmayer (1913) as *Carcharias mülleri*, Compagno (1984b).

IUCN (2020): Near Threatened (NT).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Madagascar and Persian Gulf east to Philippines, north to southern Japan, south to northern Australia.

Genus: *Triaenodon* Müller & Henle 1837

21. *Triaenodon obesus* (Rüppell 1837)-Whitetip reef shark

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Winton & Ebert (2022); Oman: Compagno (1984b); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2020): Vulnerable (VU).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Seychelles, Madagascar, Mascarenes

and Persian Gulf east to Hawaiian Islands, north to Ryukyu Islands and Ogasawara Islands, south to New South Wales (Australia), Kermadec Islands and Austral Islands; eastern Pacific: Pacific coast of Baja California (Mexico) south to Ecuador, including Revillagigedo Islands (Mexico) and Galápagos Islands (Ecuador).

Family: *Pentanchidae* Smith 1912

Genus: *Apristurus* Garman 1913

22. *Apristurus indicus* (Brauer 1906)-Smallbelly catshark

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Lloyd (1909) as *Scylliorhinus indicus*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Southeastern Atlantic, western Indian Ocean: South Africa and East Africa, Gulf of Aden.

Family: *Triakidae* Gray 1851

Genus: *Hypogaleus* Smith 1957

23. *Hypogaleus hyugaensis* (Miyosi 1939)-Blacktip tope

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Compagno (1984b); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2023): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: South Africa, East Africa, and Persian Gulf and Gulf of Oman east to Taiwan and Japan.

Genus: *Iago* Compagno & Springer 1971

24. *Iago omanensis* (Norman 1939)-Bigeye houndshark

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Compagno (1984b); Oman: Norman (1939) as *Eugaleus omanensis*; UAE: -; Iran: **Species Anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on Zoogeography**; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman); USNM (Iran).

IUCN (2020): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea, western and northern Indian Ocean.

Genus: *Loxodon* Müller & Henle 1838

25. *Loxodon macrorhinus* Müller & Henle 1839-Slitelike shark

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Springer (1964); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: (Compagno, 1984b)

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2021): Near Threatened (NT).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Seychelles, Madagascar, western Mascarenes and Persian Gulf east to New Ireland (Papua New Guinea), north to Kagoshima Prefecture (southern Japan), south to northern New South Wales (Australia)

Genus: *Mustelus* Linck 1790

26. *Mustelus mosis* Hemprich & Ehrenberg 1899- Arabian smooth-hound

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Compagno (1984b); Oman: Boulenger (1889) as *Mustelus manazo* (non Bleeker, 1854); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2018): Near Threatened (NT).

Distribution: Indian Ocean: Red Sea; Indian Ocean: South Africa, East Africa, and Persian Gulf east to Sri Lanka and Myanmar.

Family: Hemigaleidae Compagno 1984

Genus: *Chaenogaleus* Gill 1862

27. *Chaenogaleus macrostoma* (Bleeker 1852)- Hooktooth shark

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944) as *Hemigaleus balfouri*; Pakistan: Compagno (1984b).

IUCN (2020): Vulnerable (VU).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Gulf of Aden and Persian Gulf east to southern Indonesia, north to China and Taiwan.

Genus: *Hemipristis* Klunzinger 1871

28. *Hemipristis elongata* (Klunzinger 1871)- Snaggletooth shark

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Compagno (1984b) as *H. elongatus*; Oman: Boulenger (1892) as *Carcharias ellioti*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Zugmayer (1913) as *Carcharias ellioti*.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2023): Near Threatened (NT).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: KwaZulu-Natal (South Africa), East Africa, and Persian Gulf east to Philippines, north to southern China, south to northern Australia.

Genus: *Paragaleus* Budker 1935

29. *Paragaleus longicaudatus* (Bessednov 1966) - Longtail weasel shark

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Knuckey & Ebert (2022) as *P. randalli*; Oman: Compagno et al. (1996) as *P. randalli*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2020): Vulnerable (VU).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf and Gulf of Oman east to South China Sea, north to Taiwan.

Synonym: *Paragaleus randalli* Compagno, Krupp & Carpenter 1996.

Family: Carcharhinidae Jordan & Evermann 1896

Genus: *Carcharhinus* Blainville 1816

30. *Carcharhinus altimus* (Springer 1950)-Graceful shark

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Henderson and Reeve (2011); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2020): Near Threatened (NT).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical and warm temperate seas (including Gulf of California/Mexico, Caribbean Sea, Mediterranean Sea, Red Sea).

31. *Carcharhinus amblyrhynchoides* (Whitley 1934)- Graceful shark

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2020): Vulnerable (VU).

Distribution: Indo-Pacific: Gulf of Aden and southwestern India east to Papua New Guinea, north to Taiwan and south to Australia.

32. *Carcharhinus amboinensis* (Müller & Henle 1839)-Pigeye shark

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Compagno (1984b); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2020): Vulnerable (VU).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical and warm temperate seas (including Red Sea, and Persian Gulf), but not eastern Pacific. Often confused with the sympatric species *Carcharhinus leucas* and *Glyphis gangeticus*, but the three are distinguishable.

33. *Carcharhinus brevipinna* (Müller & Henle 1839)-Spinner shark

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Winton & Ebert (2022); Oman: Boulenger (1889) as *Carcharias brevipinna*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2020): Vulnerable (VU).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical through warm temperate seas (including Caribbean Sea, Mediterranean Sea, Red Sea, Persian Gulf, Sea of Japan), but not in the eastern Pacific. Often confused with *Carcharhinus limbatus* in the past.

34. *Carcharhinus dussumieri* (Müller & Henle 1839)-Whitecheek shark

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Winton & Ebert (2022); Oman: UAE: -; Iran: Raeisi et al. (2017); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2018): Endangered (EN).

Distribution: Western and northern Indian Ocean: Persian Gulf east to India, Bangladesh, and Myanmar.

35. *Carcharhinus falciformis* (Müller & Henle 1839)-Silky shark

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1889) as *Carcharias menisorrah*; UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944) as *Carcharias menisorrah*; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2021): Vulnerable (VU).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical seas (including Gulf of California/Mexico, Caribbean Sea, Mediterranean Sea, Red Sea, Persian Gulf). Highly migratory species, Annex I of the 1982 Convention on the Law of the Sea (FAO 1994).

36. *Carcharhinus hemiodon* (Müller & Henle 1839)-Pondicherry shark

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Winton & Ebert (2022); Oman: Boulenger (1889) as *Carcharias*

hemiodon; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Compagno (1984).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2020): Critically Endangered (CR).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: southern Iran east to Papua New Guinea, north to South China Sea, south to northern Queensland (Australia).

37. *Carcharhinus leucas* (Valenciennes 1839)-Bull shark

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2020): Vulnerable (VU).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical seas (including Caribbean Sea, Persian Gulf, Gulf of California/Mexico).

38. *Carcharhinus limbatus* (Müller & Henle 1839)-Blacktip shark

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Compagno (1984b); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2020): Vulnerable (VU).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical and warm temperate seas (including Gulf of California/Mexico, Caribbean Sea, Mediterranean Sea, Red Sea, Persian Gulf, South China Sea).

39. *Carcharhinus longimanus* (Poey 1861)-Oceanic whitetip shark

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Compagno (1984b); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2018): Critically Endangered (CR).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical and subtropical seas (including Gulf of California/Mexico, Caribbean Sea, Red Sea), straying into temperate waters, including North Sea. Highly migratory species, Annex I of the 1982 Convention on the Law of the Sea (FAO 1994).

40. *Carcharhinus macroti* (Müller & Henle 1839)-Hardnose shark

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Compagno (1984b); Pakistan: Compagno (1984b).

IUCN (2020): Near Threatened (NT).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa and Persian Gulf east to Papua New Guinea, north to

Japan, south to Western Australia and Queensland (Australia).

41. *Carcharhinus melanopterus* (Quoy & Gaimard 1824)-Blacktip reef shark

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Compagno (1984b); Oman: Boulenger (1889) as *Carcharias melanopterus*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Zugmayer (1913) as *Carcharias melanopterus*.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2020): Vulnerable (VU).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Persian Gulf, Seychelles, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Hawaiian Islands and Pitcairn Group north to Taiwan, south to Queensland (Australia) and New Caledonia.

42. *Carcharhinus plumbeus* (Nardo 1827)-Sandbar shark

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Winton & Ebert (2022); Oman: **Species Anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on Zoogeography**; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2020): Endangered (EN).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical through warm temperate seas (including Caribbean Sea, Mediterranean Sea, Red Sea, Persian Gulf), possibly absent from eastern Pacific.

43. *Carcharhinus sorrah* (Müller & Henle 1839)-Spot-tail shark

Status in Gulf of Oman: UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Compagno (1984b)

IUCN (2020): Near Threatened (NT).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Persian Gulf, Seychelles, Madagascar and western Mascarenes east to Solomon Islands and northern Vanuatu, north to Taiwan, south to New South Wales (Australia) and New Caledonia.

Genus: *Glyphis* Agassiz, 1843

44. *Glyphis gangeticus* (Müller & Henle, 1839)-Ganges shark

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1889) as *Carcharias gangeticus* and *C. murrayi*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2021): Critically Endangered (CR).

Distribution: Northern Indian Ocean: Pakistan and India, east to Bangladesh and Myanmar. Records from Persian Gulf need confirmation.

Family: Sphyrnidae Gill 1872

Genus: *Eusphyra* Gill 1862

45. *Eusphyra blochii* (Cuvier 1816)-Winghead shark

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944) as *Zygaena blochii*; Pakistan: Compagno (1984b).

IUCN (2024): Critically Endangered (CR).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf east to Philippines, north to China, and south to northern Australia.

Genus: *Sphyrna* Rafinesque 1810

46. *Sphyrna lewini* (Griffith & Smith 1834)-Scalloped hammerhead

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Compagno et al. (1984b); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2018): Critically Endangered (CR).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical and warm temperate seas (including Gulf of California/Mexico, Caribbean Sea, western Mediterranean Sea, Red Sea, Persian Gulf, South China Sea, Sea of Japan).

47. *Sphyrna mokarran* (Rüppell 1837)-Great hammerhead

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Compagno et al. (1984b); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2018): Critically Endangered (CR).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical through warm temperate seas (including Gulf of California/Mexico, Gulf of Mexico, Caribbean Sea, Mediterranean Sea, Red Sea, Persian Gulf, South China Sea, East China Sea).

Order: Echinorhiniformes

Family: Echinorhinidae Gill 1862

Genus: *Echinorhinus* Blainville 1816

48. *Echinorhinus brucus* (Bonnaterre 1788)-Bramble

shark

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1889) as *Echinorhinus spinosus*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -. (Compagno, 1984b)

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2019): Endangered (EN).

Distribution: Circumglobal (including Caribbean Sea, Mediterranean Sea, southern North Sea), but not eastern Pacific.

Order: Torpediniformes

Family: Narkidae Fowler 1934

Genus: *Narke* Kaup 1826

49. *Narke dipterygia* (Bloch & Schneider, 1801)-Numbray

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Carvalho et al. (2016); Oman: UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2020): Vulnerable (VU).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Oman east to Malaysia, north to southern Japan.

Family: Narcinidae Gill 1862

Genus: *Narcine* Henle 1834

50. *Narcine oculifera* Carvalho, Compagno & Mee 2002-Bigeye numbfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Randall (1995) as *Narcine* sp., Carvalho et al. (2002); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan:-.

IUCN (2017): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Gulf of Aden, Gulf of Oman, and Persian Gulf.

51. *Narcine timplei* (Bloch & Schneider 1801)-Spotted numbfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2020): Vulnerable (VU).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Pakistan east to Vietnam and Hainan (China).

52. *Narcine atzi* Carvalho & Randall 2003-Oman numbfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Carvalho and Randall (2003); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan.

Material: CAS (Oman).

IUCN (2020): Vulnerable (VU).

Distribution: Northern Indian Ocean: Oman east to Myanmar.

Family: Torpedinidae Bonaparte 1838

Genus: *Torpedo* Duméril 1805

53. *Torpedo panthera* Olfers 1831-Panther electric ray
Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Carvalho et al. (2016); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: **Species anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on zoogeography.**

Material: LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2022): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Red Sea; northern Indian Ocean: Gulf of Aden, Gulf of Oman, and Persian Gulf east to Bay of Bengal (India).

54. *Torpedo sinuspersici* Olfers 1831-Variable torpedo ray

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Carvalho (2022); Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: Rastgoo et al. (2018); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: CAS (Pakistan).

IUCN (2006): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indian Ocean: East Africa, South Africa, Persian Gulf, and Madagascar east to western India.

55. *Torpedo zugmayeri* Engelhardt 1912- Variable torpedo ray

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Engelhardt (1912).

IUCN (2017): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean.

Order: Rhinopristiformes

Family: Rhinobatidae Müller & Henle 1837

Genus: *Acroteriobatus* Giltay 1928

56. *Acroteriobatus omanensis* Last, Henderson & Naylor 2016 - Omn guitarfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Last et al. (2016a); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: CSIRO (Oman).

IUCN (2017): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Persian Gulf and Gulf of Oman.

57. *Acroteriobatus salalah* (Randall & Compagno 1995)-Salalah guitarfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2017): Near Threatened (NT).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Socotra (Yemen) and Oman east to Pakistan.

Genus: *Rhinobatos* Linck 1790

58. *Rhinobatos punctifer* Compagno & Randall 1987-Spotted guitarfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Randall (1995), Randall & Compagno (1995); UAE: -; Iran: Rastgoo et al. (2018); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BPBM (Oman).

IUCN (2017): Near Threatened (NT).

Distribution: Red Sea; northwestern Indian Ocean: Socotra (Yemen) east to Pakistan, including Persian Gulf.

Family: Rhinidae Müller & Henle 1841

Genus: *Rhina* Bloch & Schneider, 1801

59. *Rhina ancylostomus* Bloch & Schneider 1801-Bowmouth guitarfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Last et al. (2016a); Oman: Boulenger (1892) as *Rhynchobatus ancylostomus*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2018): Critically Endangered (CR).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Persian Gulf, Socotra (Yemen), Seychelles, Madagascar and Mauritius (Mascarenes) east to Philippines, north to Japan, south to New South Wales (Australia) and New Caledonia.

Genus: *Rhynchobatus* Müller & Henle 1837

60. *Rhynchobatus australiae* Whitley 1939-Bottlenose wedgefish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Last et al. (2016a); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2018): Critically Endangered (CR).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Socotra (Yemen), and Persian Gulf east to Philippines and

New Ireland (Papua New Guinea), north to Amami Islands (southern Japan), south to eastern Australia.

61. *Rhynchobatus djiddensis* (Forsskal 1775)-Giant guitarfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1889) as *Rhynchobatus djeddensis*; Last et al. (2016a); UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944); Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2018): Critically Endangered (CR).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf and Gulf of Oman east to southern China, north to southern Japan.

62. *Rhynchobatus laevis* (Bloch & Schneider 1801)-Smoothnose wedgefish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Last et al. (2016a); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2024): Critically Endangered (CR).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf and Gulf of Oman east to southern China, north to southern Japan.

Family: Glaucostegidae Last, Séret & Naylor 2016

Genus: *Glaucostegus* Bonaparte 1846

63. *Glaucostegus halavi* (Fabricius 1775)-Halavi ray

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Séret & Carvalho (2022); Oman: Boulenger (1889) as *Rhinobatus halavi*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2018): Critically Endangered (CR).

Distribution: Red Sea; northwestern Indian Ocean: Persian Gulf, Gulf of Oman, Pakistan. Record from Mediterranean Sea needs verification.

64. *Glaucostegus obtusus* (Müller & Henle 1841)-Widenose guitarfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2018): Critically Endangered (CR).

Distribution: Northern Indian Ocean: Pakistan east to western Thailand.

Family: Pristidae Bonaparte 1838

Genus: *Anoxypristis* White & Moy-Thomas 1941

65. *Anoxypristis cuspidata* (Latham 1794)-Pointed sawfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Last et al. (2016a); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944) as *Pristis cuspidatus*; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2022): Critically Endangered (CR).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa and Persian Gulf east to Philippines and New Guinea, north to southern Japan, south to northern Australia.

Genus: *Pristis* Linck 1790

66. *Pristis pristis* (Linnaeus 1758)-Common sawfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: **Species anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on Zoogeography**; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2022): Critically Endangered (CR).

Distribution: Eastern Pacific: Mazatlan (Mexico) south to Peru [if valid]; now possibly regionally extinct north to Nicaragua.

67. *Pristis zijsron* Bleeker 1851-Longcomb sawfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Last et al. (2016a); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Zugmayer (1913) as *Pristis zysron*, Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2022): Critically Endangered (CR).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: South Africa, East Africa, and Persian Gulf east to Philippines and New Guinea, north to southern China, south to New South Wales (Australia).

Order: Rajiformes

Family: Rajidae Bonaparte 1831

Genus: *Amblyraja* Malm, 1877

68. *Amblyraja reversa* (Lloyd, 1906)-Reversed skate

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Lloyd (1906) as *Raja reversa*.

Material: ZSI (Pakistan).

IUCN (2017): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Western Indian Ocean

Order: Myliobatiformes

Family: Dasyatidae Jordan 1888

Genus: *Bathytoshia* Whitley 1933

69. *Bathytoshia lata* (Garman 1880)-Brown stingray

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Last et al. (2016b); Oman: UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2020): Vulnerable (VU).

Distribution: Mediterranean Sea; eastern Atlantic: Spain south to Angola, including Madeira, Canary Islands, Cape Verde Islands, and São Tomé and Príncipe; Indo-West Pacific: South Africa and southern Oman east to western Indonesia and northern Borneo, north to Chiba Prefecture (Japan), south to Tasmania (Australia), and northern New Zealand.

Genus: *Brevitrygon* Last, Naylor & Manjaji-Matsumoto, 2016

70. *Brevitrygon imbricata* (Bloch & Schneider, 1801)-Bengal whipray

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015) as *Himantura imbricata*.

Material: LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2020): Vulnerable (VU).

Distribution: Northeastern Indian Ocean: east coast of India and Bangladesh, east to Myanmar.

71. *Brevitrygon walga* (Müller & Henle 1841)-Scaly whipray

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Last et al. (2016b); Oman: Regan (1905) as *Trygon walga*; UAE: -; Iran: Rastgoo et al. (2018); Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2017): Near Threatened (NT).

Distribution: Red Sea; northern Indian Ocean: Gulf of Aden, Gulf of Oman, and Persian Gulf east to India and Bangladesh.

Genus: *Maculabatis* Last, Naylor & Manjaji-Matsumoto 2016

72. *Maculabatis arabica* Manjaji-Matsumoto & Last 2016-Arabic whipray

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: UAE: -; Iran: Golzarianpour et al. (2020); Pakistan: -.

Material: LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2017): Critically Endangered (CR).

Distribution: Indian Ocean: Persian Gulf; Pakistan, India, Bangladesh, and Sri Lanka.

73. *Maculabatis gerrardi* (Gray 1851)-Sharpnose

stingray

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944) as *Trygon gerrardi*; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015) as *Himantura gerrardi*.

Material: LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2020): Endangered (EN).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Oman east to western Indonesia, north to Taiwan.

74. *Maculabatis randalli* (Last, Manjaji-Matsumoto & Moore 2012)-Arabian banded whiplay

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: UAE: -; Iran: Rastgoo et al. (2018); Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Persian Gulf and Gulf of Oman (Iran).

Genus: *Himantura* Müller & Henle, 1837

75. *Himantura leoparda* Manjaji-Matsumoto & Last 2008

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Last et al. (2016b); Oman: UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2023): Endangered (EN).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: South Africa, East Africa, Gulf of Aden and Persian Gulf east to Philippines and New Guinea, north to Ryukyu Islands, south to northern Australia; eastern Mediterranean (Red Sea immigrant).

76. *Himantura uarnak* (Gmelin 1789)-Honeycomb stingray

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Last et al. (2016b); Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Trygon uarnak*; UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944) as *Trygon uarnak*; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2020): Endangered (EN).

Distribution: Red Sea, Indo-West Pacific, including Red Sea; Mediterranean Sea (Red Sea immigrant); Japan south to northern Australia.

Genus: *Neotrygon* Castelnau 1873

77. *Neotrygon caeruleopunctata* Last, White & Séret 2016-Bluespotted maskray

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Last et al. (2016b); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015) as *Neotrygon kuhlii* (non Müller & Henle

1841).

Material: LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2020): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indian Ocean: East Africa, KwaZulu-Natal (South Africa), and Madagascar east to western Indonesia.

Genus: *Pteroplatytrygon* Fowler 1910

78. *Pteroplatytrygon violacea* (Bonaparte 1832)-Pelagic stingray

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Last et al. (2016b); Oman: UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical and warm temperate seas (including Gulf of Mexico, Caribbean Sea, North Sea, Mediterranean Sea, Persian Gulf, Sea of Japan, southern Sea of Okhotsk).

Genus: *Taeniura* Müller & Henle 1837

79. *Taeniura lymma* (Fabricius, 1775)-Ribbontail stingray

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Last et al. (2016b); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2020): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, northern KwaZulu-Natal (South Africa), Madagascar, and Persian Gulf east to Philippines and Papua New Guinea, north to Philippines, south to northern Australia.

Genus: *Telatrygon* Last, Naylor & Manjaji-Matsumoto 2016

80. *Telatrygon zugei* (Müller & Henle, 1841)-Pale-edged stingray

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Last et al. (2016b).

IUCN (2019): Vulnerable (VU).

Distribution: Western Pacific: Vietnam to Japan, possibly Philippines and Thailand.

Genus: *Urogymnus* Müller & Henle 1837

81. *Urogymnus asperrimus* (Bloch & Schneider

1801)-Porcupine whiplay

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Last et al. (2016b); Oman: Boulenger (1889); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2023): Endangered (EN).

Distribution: Eastern Atlantic: Mauritania south to Liberia; Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Seychelles, Madagascar, and Persian Gulf east to Mariana Islands and Fiji, south to Western Australia, Chesterfield Islands, and New Caledonia; possibly eastern Atlantic.

Family: *Gymnuridae* Fowler 1934

Genus: *Gymnura* Hasselt 1823

82. *Gymnura poecilura* (Shaw 1804)

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Yokota et al. (2016); Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944) as *Pteroplatea poecilura*; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015), Kachhi et al. (2022) as *Gymnura micrura* (non Bloch & Schneider 1801).

Material: LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2020): Vulnerable (VU).

Distribution: Northern Arabian Sea, Pakistan, Indian Ocean region.

Family: *Aetobatidae* White & Naylor 2016

Genus: *Aetobatus* Blainville 1816

83. *Aetobatus flagellum* (Bloch & Schneider 1801)-Whitespotted eagle ray

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Carvalho & Soares (2022) as *A. narinari* (non Euphrasen 1790); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: (White & Last 2016); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2020): Endangered (EN).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf east to Indonesia and Malaysia.

84. *Aetobatus ocellatus* (Kuhl 1823)-Ocellated eagle ray

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2023): Endangered (EN).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, and Persian Gulf east to Hawaiian Islands and French Polynesia, north to Japan, south to

northern Australia.

Family: *Myliobatidae* Bonaparte 1838

Genus: *Aetomylaeus* Garman 1908

85. *Aetomylaeus milvus* (Müller & Henle, 1841)

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2017): Endangered (EN).

Distribution: Western Indian Ocean: Persian Gulf to Pakistan and India.

86. *Aetomylaeus nichofii* (Bloch & Schneider 1801) Banded eagle ray

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: White & Last (2016); UAE: White & Last (2016); Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944) as *Myliobatis nichofii* and *Myliobatis maculatus* (non Gray 1834); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2015): Vulnerable (VU).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Indo-West Pacific: Socotra, Gulf of Oman and Persian Gulf east to Philippines, north to Japan.

Genus: *Pastinachus* Rüppell, 1829

87. *Pastinachus ater* (Macleay 1883)

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Last et al. (2016b); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: - .

IUCN (2020): Vulnerable (VU).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, northern KwaZulu-Natal (South Africa), Madagascar, and Persian Gulf east to Solomon Islands and New Caledonia, south to northern Australia.

88. *Pastinachus sephen* (Fabricius 1775)-Cowtail stingray

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Last & Stevens (1994); Last et al. (2016b); Oman: Boulenger (1892) as *Trygon sephen*; UAE: -; Iran: Rastgoo et al. (2018); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman); LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2017): Near Threatened (NT).

Distribution: Red Sea; northern Indian Ocean: Gulf of Aden, Socotra (Yemen), Gulf of Oman and Persian Gulf east to India and Bangladesh.

Genus: *Pateobatis* Naylor & Manjaji-Matsumoto 2016
89. *Pateobatis fai* (Jordan & Seale 1906)-Pink whipray

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Last et al. (2016b); Oman: Henderson & Reeve (2011) as *Himantura fai*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2023): Vulnerable (VU).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: South Africa, Persian Gulf, and La Pérouse Seamount (western Mascarenes) east to Marquesas, south to northern Australia.

90. *Pateobatis jenkinsii* (Annandale 1909)-Jenkins whipray

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Randall (1995) as *Himantura jenkinsii*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Last & Stevens (1994) as *Himantura jenkinsii*.

IUCN (2023): Endangered (EN).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: South Africa, East Africa, Persian Gulf, Socotra (Yemen), and Madagascar east to Papua New Guinea, south to northern Australia.

Genus: *Taeniurops* Garman, 1913

91. *Taeniurops meyeri* (Müller & Henle 1841)-Round ribbontail ray

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Last & Stevens (1994) as *Taeniura meyeri*, Last et al. (2016b); Oman: Boulenger (1892) as *Trygon melanospila*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2023): Vulnerable (VU).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Persian Gulf, Socotra (Yemen), Madagascar and Mascarenes east to Marquesas Islands, north to Korea, Japan and Ogasawara Islands, south to Queensland (Australia), Lord Howe Island, Norfolk Island and New Caledonia; also, Galápagos Archipelago (Ecuador).

Remarks: *Taeniura melanospilos* Bleeker 1853 is a junior synonym.

Family: Rhinopteridae Jordan & Evermann 1896

Genus: *Rhinoptera* Cuvier 1829

92. *Rhinoptera javanica* Müller & Henle 1841-

Flapnose ray

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Last et al. (2016c); Oman: UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2020): Endangered (EN).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf and Gulf of Oman east to Philippines, north to Ryukyu Islands, south to southern Indonesia.

93. *Rhinoptera jayakari* Boulenger 1895

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Last et al. (2016c); Oman: Boulenger (1895); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2020): Endangered (EN).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: South Africa, East Africa, Persian Gulf, and Madagascar east to Philippines, north to Ryukyu Islands, south to southern Indonesia.

Family: Mobulidae Gill 1893

Genus: *Mobula* Rafinesque 1810

94. *Mobula alfredi* (Krefft 1868)-Alfred manta

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2018): Vulnerable (VU).

Distribution: Eastern Atlantic; Western Sahara south to Senegal; Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, and Madagascar east to Hawaiian Islands and Tuamotu Archipelago, north to Ryukyu Islands, south to northern Australia.

95. *Mobula birostris* (Walbaum 1792)-Giant manta

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Last & Stevens (1994); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015) as *Manta birostris*.

IUCN (2019): Endangered (EN).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical through warm temperate water (including Gulf of Mexico, Caribbean Sea, Red Sea, Persian Gulf, and Gulf of California); possibly straying to Mediterranean Sea.

96. *Mobula eregoodoo* (Cantor 1849)-Longhorned mobula

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1889) as *Dicerobatis eregoodoo*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2020): Endangered (EN).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa and northern KwaZulu-Natal (South Africa) east to Papua New Guinea, north to Philippines, south to New South Wales (Australia).

97. *Mobula japanica* (Müller & Henle 1841)-Spinetail mobula

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2025): Critically Endangered (CR).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical and warm temperate seas (including Gulf of Mexico, Mediterranean Sea, and Sea of Japan).

98. *Mobula kuhlii* (Valenciennes 1841)-Longhorned mobula

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015) as *Mobula eregoodootenkee* and *M. kuhlii*.

IUCN (2020): Endangered (EN).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Persian Gulf, and Madagascar east to Philippines, New Ireland (Papua New Guinea), and Solomon Islands, south to northern Australia.

99. *Mobula tarapacana* (Philippi 1892)-Chilean devil ray

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2025): Critically Endangered (CR).

Distribution: Probably circumglobal in tropical seas (including Gulf of Mexico, Caribbean Sea, Red Sea, Sea of Japan, and Gulf of California).

100. *Mobula thurstoni* (Lloyd, 1908)-Smoothtail mobula

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2025): Critically Endangered (CR).

Distribution: Circumglobal in warm seas (including Red Sea, South China Sea, East China Sea, Gulf of California/Mexico).

Actinopteri

Order: Elopiformes

Family: Elopidae Bonaparte 1832

Genus: *Elops* Linnaeus 1766

101. *Elops machnata* (Fabricius 1775)-Tenpounder

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Elops saurus* (non Linnaeus 1766); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2016): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Persian Gulf, Seychelles, Madagascar, and western Mascarenes [extinct in Réunion] east to Philippines; possibly Hawaiian Islands.

Family: Megalopidae Jordan 1923

Genus: *Megalops* Lacépède 1803

102. *Megalops cyprinoides* (Broussonet 1782)-Indo-Pacific tarpon

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Whitehead (1984); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2016): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Persian Gulf, Seychelles, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Mariana Islands, Tuamotu Archipelago, and Marquesas Islands, north to Korea, Russia, and Japan, south to northwestern Australia, New South Wales (Australia), New Caledonia, and Austral Islands.

Order: Albuliformes

Family: Albulidae Bleeker 1849

Genus: *Albula* Scopoli 1777

103. *Albula oligolepis* (Hidaka, Iwatsuki & Randall 2008)-Indian Ocean bonefish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Heemstra (2022a); Oman: Hidaka et al. 2008; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015) as *Albula argentea* (non Forster 1801).

Material: MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2011): Data Deficient (DD)

Material: BMNH.

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: South Africa, East Africa, Socotra, and Réunion (western Mascarenes), east to west Thailand, and southeastern Australia.

Order: Anguilliformes

Family: Anguillidae Garsault 1764

Genus: *Anguilla* Schrank 1798

104. *Anguilla bicolor* McClelland 1844-Indonesian shortfin eel

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: **Species anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on zoogeography**; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2019): Near Threatened (NT).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Seychelles, Mayotte, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to China and New Britain (Papua New Guinea), south to northern Western Australia.

Family: Synphobranchidae Johnson 1862

Genus: *Synphobranchus* Johnson 1862

105. *Synphobranchus affinis* Günther 1877- Grey cutthroat

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Owfi et al. (2014); Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical through temperate seas.

Family: Muraenidae Rafinesque 1810

Genus: *Echidna* Forster 1788

106. *Echidna nebulosa* (Ahl 1789)-Starry moray

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2011): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Persian Gulf, Seychelles, Comoros, Mayotte (France), Madagascar and Mascarenes east to Hawaiian Islands, north to southern Japan and Johnston Atoll, south to Western Australia and New Caledonia; eastern Pacific: southern Baja California Sur and southern Gulf of California (Mexico) south to Colombia, including Clipperton Island (France).

Genus: *Gymnomuraena* Lacepède 1803

107. *Gymnomuraena zebra* (Shaw 1797)-Zebra moray

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Kaup (1856) as *Gymnomuraena fasciata*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2011): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Persian Gulf, Socotra, Seychelles, Mayotte (France), Madagascar and Mascarenes east to Hawaiian Islands, north to Taiwan, Ryukyu Islands and Ogasawara Islands, south to North West Cape (Western Australia) and New Caledonia; eastern Pacific: Pacific coast of southern Baja California Sur (Mexico) south to Peru, including Gulf of California (Mexico), Revillagigedo Islands (Mexico), Malpelo Island (Colombia) and Galápagos Islands (Ecuador).

Genus: *Gymnothorax* Bloch 1795

108. *Gymnothorax chilospilus* Bleeker 1864

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith & Böhlke (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2011): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: KwaZulu-Natal (South Africa), East Africa, Seychelles, Comoros, Mayotte (France), Madagascar and Mascarenes (La Réunion, Mauritius, Rodrigues) east to Hawaiian Islands (U.S.A.) and Society Islands (French Polynesia), north to Taiwan, Ryukyu Islands (Japan) and Ogasawara Islands (Japan), south to Australia, Norfolk Island and Rapa (French Polynesia).

109. *Gymnothorax dorsalis* Seale 1917

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2011): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Pakistan east to southern China and Taiwan, north to south Korea.

110. *Gymnothorax favagineus* Bloch & Schneider 1801-Laced moray

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith & Böhlke (2022); Oman: Boulenger (1889) as *Muraena tessellata*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2011): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Seychelles, Mayotte (France), Madagascar, western Mascarenes, and Persian Gulf east to New Ireland (Papua New Guinea), north to southern Japan, south to Western Australia, Sydney (New South Wales, Australia).

111. *Gymnothorax flavoculus* (Böhlke & Randall 1996)

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith & Böhlke (2022); Oman: Randall (1995) as *Siderea flavocula* (nomen nudum); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: **Species anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on zoogeography.**

Material: ANSP (Pakistan).

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Socotra, southern Oman, and Gulf of Oman.

112. *Gymnothorax nudivomer* (Günther 1867)

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2011): Vulnerable (VU).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Seychelles, Mayotte (France), and western Mascarenes east to Hawaiian Islands, north to southern Japan, south to Queensland (Australia), and New Caledonia.

113. *Gymnothorax phasmatodes* (Smith 1962)-Ghost moray

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2011): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea, Indo-West Pacific: South Africa, East Africa, Persian Gulf, Mayotte (France), Madagascar, and Mauritius (Mascarenes) east to Philippines, Papua New Guinea, and Fiji, north to Taiwan, south to northern Great Barrier Reef.

114. *Gymnothorax pictus* (Ahl 1789)-Paintspotted moray

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: **Species anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on zoogeography;** UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2011): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, Seychelles, Mayotte (France), Madagascar, and western Mascarenes east to Hawaiian Islands, Clipperton Island, and Panama, north to southern Japan, south to North West Cape (Western Australia), Queensland (Australia) to 23°30'S, and Kermadec Islands.

115. *Gymnothorax prolatus* Sasaki & Amaoka 1991
Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2011): Data Deficient (DD)

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific

116. *Gymnothorax pseudothyrsoides* (Bleeker 1853)-Highfin moray

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Regan (1905) as *Muraena pseudothyrsoides*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2011): Least Concern (LC)

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa and Persian Gulf east to Indonesia and Philippines, north to southern Korea and Japan, south to Rottneest Island (Western Australia).

117. *Gymnothorax punctatus* Bloch & Schneider 1801-Red Sea whitespotted moray

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: **Species anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on zoogeography.**

Material: ANSP (Pakistan).

IUCN (2011): Least Concern (LC)

Distribution: Red Sea; Indian Ocean: East Africa east to Pakistan, India, and Sri Lanka.

118. *Gymnothorax reticularis* Bloch, 1795

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC)

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: Mauritius (Mascarenes) east to Indonesia and New Guinea, north to Japan, south to northern Australia; eastern Mediterranean Sea (Red Sea migrant).

119. *Gymnothorax undulatus* (Lacepède 1803)-Undulated moray

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Muraena undulata*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2011): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Port Alfred (South Africa), Persian Gulf, Socotra, Seychelles, Comoros, Mayotte (France), Madagascar, Seychelles, Maldives and Mascarenes east to Hawaiian Islands and Gambier Islands, north to

Amami Islands (southern Japan) and Ogasawara Islands, south to Western Australia at 28°54'S, New South Wales (Australia) and New Caledonia; eastern Pacific: Costa Rica south to Colombia, including Revillagigedo Islands (Mexico), Cocos Island (Costa Rica) and Galapagos Islands (Ecuador).

Genus: *Rhinomuraena* Garman 1888

120. *Rhinomuraena quaesita* Garman 1888- Ribbon moray

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Owfi et al. (2014); Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Seychelles, Mayotte (France), Madagascar and western Mascarenes east to Mariana Islands and Tuamotu Archipelago, north to southern Japan and Ogasawara Islands, south to Western Australia, Queensland (Australia) to 23°30'S, and New Caledonia

Genus: *Scuticaria* Jordan & Snyder 1901

121. *Scuticaria tigrina* (Lesson 1828)

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith & Böhlke (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2011): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: KwaZulu-Natal (South Africa), East Africa, Seychelles, Mayotte (France), Madagascar and western Mascarenes east to Hawaiian Islands, north to Taiwan and Kerama Islands (Japan), south to New Caledonia; eastern Pacific: southern tip of Baja California Sur (Mexico) south to Colombia, including Revillagigedo Islands (Mexico), Gulf of California (Mexico) and Galápagos Islands (Ecuador).

Genus: *Siderea* Kaup, 1856

122. *Siderea flavocula* Böhlke & Randall 1996

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Socotra, southern Oman, and Gulf of Oman.

Genus: *Strophidon* McClelland, 1844

123. *Strophidon sathete* (Hamilton, 1822)-Slender giant moray

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Owfi et al. (2014); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Persian Gulf, Mayotte (France), Madagascar, and western Mascarenes east to Mariana Islands, Society Islands, and Fiji, north to southern Japan, south to Western Australia, Queensland (Australia), and New Caledonia.

Family: Ophichthidae Günther 1870

Genus: *Bascanichthys* Jordan & Davis 1891

124. *Bascanichthys kirkii* (Günther 1870)

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith & Böhlke (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: South Africa, East Africa, and Madagascar east to Taiwan.

Genus: *Brachysomophis* Kaup 1856

125. *Brachysomophis cirrocheilos* (Bleeker 1857)-Stargazer snake eel

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1889) as *Ophichthys cirrhochilus*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea, Indo-West Pacific: East Africa east to Philippines and New Guinea, north to southern Japan, south to northern Australia.

Genus: *Muraenichthys*

126. *Muraenichthys schultzei* Bleeker 1857-Maimed snake eel

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: Randall (1995); Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea, Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Persian Gulf, and Mauritius (Mascarenes) east to Johnston Atoll and Tuamotu Archipelago, north to Ryukyu Islands, south to Queensland (Australia), New Caledonia, and Tonga.

Genus: *Neenchelys* Bamber, 1915

127. *Neenchelys cheni* (Chen & Weng 1967)

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: McCosker (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Gulf of Oman; Vietnam, Taiwan, northern Australia.

Genus: *Pisodonophis* Kaup 1856

128. *Pisodonophis boro* (Hamilton 1822)-Rice-paddy eel

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: South Africa, East Africa, and Madagascar east to Society Islands, north to Kyushu (southern Japan).

129. *Pisodonophis hoevenii* (Bleeker 1853)-Hoeven's snake eel

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944); Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2019): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf; eastern Indonesia.

Genus: *Yirkala* Whitley 1940

130. *Yirkala omanensis* (Norman 1939)-Oman snake eel

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Norman (1939) as *Sphagebranchus omanensis*, Randall (1995) as *Ichthyapus omanensis*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2019): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Western Indian Ocean: Gulf of Oman endemic.

Remarks: Classified as *Ichthyapus omanensis* (Norman 1939) by Randall (1995), following McCosker (1977).

Family: Muraenesocidae Bleeker 1864

Genus: *Congresox* Gill 1890

131. *Congresox talabonoides* (Bleeker 1852)-Indian pike conger

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Owfi

et al. (2014); Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa and Persian Gulf east to Philippines, north to Taiwan.

Genus: *Gavialiceps* Alcock 1889

132. *Gavialiceps taeniola* Alcock 1889

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Karmovskaya (1994); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northern Indian Ocean: southern Oman, east to Bangladesh.

Genus: *Muraenesox* McClelland 1843

133. *Muraenesox bagio* (Hamilton 1822)-Common pike conger

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Owfi et al. (2014); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: KwaZulu-Natal (South Africa), East Africa, Mayotte (France), Madagascar, and western Mascarenes east to Samoa, north to Korea and Kuril Islands, south to Western Australia at 27°42'S, New South Wales (Australia) at 34°53'S, and New Caledonia.

134. *Muraenesox cinereus* (Forsskål 1775)-Daggertooth pike conger

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1889); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman); LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Gulf of Aden, Persian Gulf, and Madagascar east to Mariana Islands, north to China, Korea, Russia, and Japan, south to northern Australia; eastern Mediterranean Sea (Red Sea immigrant).

Family: Congridae Kaup 1856

Genus: *Ariosoma* Swainson 1838

135. *Ariosoma gnanadossi* Talwar & Mukherjee 1977-Indian bandtooth conger

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2013): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Northern Indian Ocean: Pakistan, India, and Bangladesh.

Genus: *Bathymyrus* Alcock 1889

136. *Bathymyrus echinorhynchus* Alcock 1889

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2011): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Oman east to China, south to New Caledonia.

Genus: *Congriscus* Jordan & Hubbs 1925

137. *Congriscus maldivensis* (Norman, 1939)

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: **Species anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on zoogeography**; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: ANSP (Oman).

IUCN (2011): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Madagascar and Maldives east to northern Philippines; leptocephali found north to southern Japan.

Genus: *Conger* Bosc 1817

138. *Conger cinereus* Rüppell 1830-Longfin African conger

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Owfi et al. (2014); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2011): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Persian Gulf, Seychelles, Mayotte, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Hawaiian Islands, Line Islands, and Pitcairn Group, north to Japan and Ogasawara Islands, south to Western Australia, Lord Howe Island, Kermadec Islands, and Rapa.

Genus: *Rhynchoconger* Jordan & Hubbs 1925

139. *Rhynchoconger squaliceps* (Alcock 1894)

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2011): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Northern Indian Ocean: Pakistan east to Myanmar.

Genus: *Uroconger* Kaup 1856

140. *Uroconger lepturus* (Richardson 1845)-Slender conger

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1901); UAE: -; Iran: **Species Anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on Zoogeography**; Pakistan: -.

Material: FMNH (Oman), ANSP (Iran).

IUCN (2011): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Southern Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: KwaZulu-Natal (South Africa) and Madagascar east to Philippines, north to southern Korea and southern Japan, south to northern Australia; Hawaiian Islands.

Family: Nemichthyidae Kaup 1859

Genus: *Avocettina* Jordan & Davis 1891

141. *Avocettina infans* (Günther 1878)-Avocet snipe eel

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Karmovskaya (1977) as *Borodinula infans*.

IUCN (2011): Least Concern (NT).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical and warm temperate seas (including Gulf of California/Mexico).

Clupeiformes

Family: Spratelloididae

Genus: *Spratelloides* Bleeker 1851

142. *Spratelloides delicatulus* (Bennett 1832)-Delicate round herring

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Whitehead (1985); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Persian Gulf, Seychelles, Madagascar, and western Mascarenes east to Hawaiian Islands and Tuamotu Archipelago, north to southern Japan, south to Western Australia, Tasmania (Australia), and New Caledonia; Mediterranean Sea (Red Sea immigrant).

143. *Spratelloides gracilis* (Temminck & Schlegel 1846)-Silver-stripe round herring

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Whitehead (1985); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa east to

Tuamotu Archipelago, north to Korea and Japan, south to Western Australia and Queensland (Australia).

Genus: *Sardinella* Valenciennes 1847

144. *Sardinella albelli* (Valenciennes 1847)-White sardinella

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Whitehead (1985); Oman: **Species Anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on Zoogeography**; UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944) as *Sardinella perforata*, Rahimi et al. (2016); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: Oman (MUFS).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Madagascar and Persian Gulf east to New Guinea, north to Taiwan and Ryukyu Islands (Japan), south to northern Australia.

145. *Sardinella gibbosa* (Bleeker 1849)-Goldstripe sardinella

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Whitehead (1985); Oman: **Species Anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on Zoogeography**; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH, CAS (Oman).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: South Africa, East Africa, Madagascar, and Persian Gulf east to Philippines, north to Ryukyu Islands (Japan), south to northern Western Australia; eastern Mediterranean Sea (Red Sea immigrant).

146. *Sardinella longiceps* Valenciennes 1847-Indian oil sardine

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Whitehead (1985); Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Clupea scombrina*; Iwatsuki et al. (2013); UAE: -; Iran: Valinassab et al. (2013a); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: MCZ, MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indian Ocean: northern and western parts only, Gulf of Aden, Gulf of Oman, but apparently not Red Sea or the Persian Gulf, eastward to southern part of India, on eastern coast to Andhra; possibly to the Andaman Islands. Thus, studies

pertaining to this species from the Philippines or Indonesia probably refer to *Sardinella lemuru*.

147. *Sardinella melanura* (Cuvier, 1829)-Blacktip sardinella

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Whitehead (1985); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Persian Gulf, Seychelles, Madagascar, and western Mascarenes east to northern Gilbert Islands (Kiribati), Samoa and Tonga, north to southern Japan, south to Dampier Archipelago (Western Australia), Queensland (Australia) south to 23°03'S and New Caledonia.

148. *Sardinella sindensis* (Day 1878)-Sind Sardinella

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Whitehead (1985); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Gulf of Aden, Persian Gulf, and Gulf of Oman, east to western India.

Family: Engraulidae Gill 1861

Genus: *Coilia* Gray, 1830

149. *Coilia dussumieri* Valenciennes 1848-Goldspotted grenadier anchovy

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific.

150. *Coilia neglecta* Whitehead 1967-Neglected grenadier anchovy

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific.

Genus: *Encrasicholina* Fowler 1938

151. *Encrasicholina gloria* Hata & Motomura 2016-Red Sea anchovy

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: **Species anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on zoogeography**; UAE: -;

Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2017): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Western Indian Ocean: Persian Gulf (Oman, Khasab), Red Sea (Egypt and Saudi Arabia), and from the eastern Mediterranean (Israel).

Genus: *Escualosa* Whitley 1940

152. *Escualosa thoracata* (Valenciennes 1847)-White sardine

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: Khandan Barani & Alavi-Yeganeh (2022); Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Gulf of Oman east to Philippines, south to Queensland (Australia). Habitat: brackish, marine.

Genus: *Stolephorus* Lacepède 1803

153. *Stolephorus indicus* (van Hasselt 1823)-Indian anchovy

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Whitehead et al. (1988); Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Engraulis commersonianus* (non Lacepède 1803); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: - . Psomadakis et al. (2015) as *Solephorus commersonnii* (non Lacepède 1803) and *S. indicus*.

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Western Pacific: Gulf of Thailand and eastern Malaya (Malaysia) east to Taiwan and Papua New Guinea, north to southern Japan.

Genus: *Thrissina* Jordan & Seale 1925

154. *Thrissina serena* Hata & Motomura 2019

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Hata & Motomura (2019).

Material: USNM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2020): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Gulf of Oman and northwestern coast of India, Indian Ocean.

Genus: *Thryssa* Cuvier 1829

155. *Thryssa dayi* Wongratana 1983-Day's thryssa

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Whitehead et al. (1988).

IUCN (2018): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Northern Indian Ocean: Pakistan and west coast of India.

156. *Thryssa dussumieri* (Valenciennes 1848)-Dussumier's thryssa

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Anderson (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Whitehead et al. (1988).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf east to western Indonesia and South China Sea, north to Taiwan and Ogasawara Islands (Japan).

157. *Thryssa hamiltonii* Gray 1835-Hamilton's thryssa

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Whitehead et al. (1988); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf east to Java, Indonesia, north to Korea.

158. *Thryssa malabarica* (Bloch 1795)-Malabar thryssa

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2018): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Northern Indian Ocean: Pakistan to India.

159. *Thryssa mystax* (Bloch & Schneider 1801)-Moustached thryssa

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northern Indian Ocean: Persian Gulf east to western Indonesia.

160. *Thryssa setirostris* (Broussonet 1782)-Longjaw thryssa

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Whitehead et al. (1988); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Madagascar, and Persian Gulf east to

Philippines and Vanuatu, north to Taiwan, south to North-West Cape (Western Australia) and Queensland (Australia).

161. *Thryssa vitrirostris* (Gilchrist & Thompson 1908)-Orangemouth anchovy

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Whitehead et al. (1988); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944) as *Engraulis vitrirostris*; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2020): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indian Ocean: South Africa, East Africa, Persian Gulf, and Madagascar; Myanmar.

Family: Clupeidae Cuvier 1817

Genus: *Anodontostoma* Bleeker 1849

162. *Anodontostoma chacunda* (Hamilton 1822)-Chacunda gizzard shad

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Whitehead (1985); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf east to Philippines, south to northern Australia and New Caledonia.

Genus: *Escualosa* Whitley 1940

163. *Escualosa thoracata* (Valenciennes 1847)-White sardine

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Gulf of Oman east to Philippines, south to Queensland (Australia).

Family: Chirocentridae Cuvier & Valenciennes 1846

Genus: *Chirocentrus* Cuvier 1816

164. *Chirocentrus dorab* (Fabricius 1775)-Dorab wolf-herring

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Whitehead (1985); Oman: Boulenger (1888); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, KwaZulu-Natal (South Africa), Socotra, Seychelles, Madagascar, eastern Mascarenes and Persian Gulf east to Indonesia, Fiji and Tonga, north to southern Japan, south to Western Australia at 22°15'S, New South Wales (Australia) and New Caledonia.

165. *Chirocentrus nudus* Swainson 1839-Whitefin wolf-herring

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Whitehead (1985), Iwatsuki et al. (2013); Oman: **Species anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on zoogeography**; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: Oman (MUFS), LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Durban (South Africa), Madagascar, Seychelles, and Persian Gulf east to Philippines and New Guinea, north to southern Japan, south to Western Australia and Queensland (Australia).

Family: Dussumieriidae Whitehead 1963

Genus: *Dussumieria* Valenciennes 1847

166. *Dussumieria acuta* Valenciennes 1847

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Whitehead (1985); Oman: **Species Anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on Zoogeography**; UAE: -; Iran: Valinassab et al. (2013); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman); LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2020): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Somalia, Oman, Persian Gulf, and Madagascar east to South China Sea, north to Taiwan. Habitat: marine.

167. *Dussumieria elopsoides* Bleeker 1849-Slender rainbow sardine

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Whitehead (1985); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Valinassab et al. (2013a); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: Somalia and Persian Gulf east to Solomon Islands, north to Taiwan, south to northern Australia; Mediterranean Sea (Red Sea immigrant).

Genus: *Herklotsichthys* Whitley, 1951

168. *Herklotsichthys quadrimaculatus* (Rüppell 1837)-Bluestripe herring

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Whitehead (1985); Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Clupea venenosa*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Persian Gulf, Socotra, Seychelles, Madagascar, and western Mascarenes east to Philippines, Samoa, and Tonga, north to southern Japan and Ogasawara Islands, south to Western Australia at 21°38'S, Queensland (Australia) south to 16°35'S, and New Caledonia; introduced in Hawaiian Islands.

Genus: *Hilsa* Regan 1917

169. *Hilsa kelee* (Cuvier 1829)-Kelee shad

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Whitehead (1985); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Madagascar, and Persian Gulf east to New Guinea, north to Taiwan.

Genus: *Nematalosa* Regan 1917

170. *Nematalosa arabica* Regan 1917-Arabian gizzard shad

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Whitehead (1985); Oman: Regan (1917); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2017): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Gulf of Aden, Socotra, Gulf of Oman, and Persian Gulf. Habitat: marine.

171. *Nematalosa nasus* (Bloch 1795)-Bloch's gizzard shad

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Whitehead (1985); Oman: Iwatsuki et al. (2013); UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944) as *Dorosoma nasus*; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH, MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Gulf of Aden and Persian Gulf east to Philippines, north to southern Korea and southern Japan.

Family: *Pristigasteridae*

Genus: *Ilisha* Richardson 1846

172. *Ilisha megaloptera* (Swainson 1839)-Bigeye ilisha

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf and Gulf of Oman east to western Indonesia, north to southern China.

173. *Ilisha melastoma* (Bloch & Schneider 1801) - Indian ilisha

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944) as *Ilisha indica*; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Pakistan east to western Indonesia and South China Sea, north to Taiwan. Habitat: brackish, marine.

174. *Ilisha sirishai* Seshagiri Rao 1975-Lobejaw ilisha

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Whitehead (1985); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2017): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf and Gulf of Oman east to western Indonesia and Gulf of Thailand. Habitat: brackish, marine.

175. *Ilisha striatula* Wongratana 1983-Banded ilisha

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Whitehead (1985).

IUCN (2017): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Northern Indian Ocean: Persian Gulf east to India.

Genus: *Opisthopterus* Gill 1861

176. *Opisthopterus tardoore* (Cuvier 1829)-Tardoore

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Whitehead (1985); Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944) as *Opisthopecterus indicus*; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: in tropical waters, from the Gulf of Oman to at least Madras, perhaps to the north and along the coasts of Myanmar, certainly at Penang, to the Java Sea, and Gulf of Thailand.

Genus: *Pellona*

177. *Pellona ditchela* Valenciennes 1847-Indian pellona

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Whitehead (1985); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2016): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: South Africa, East Africa, and Madagascar east to Philippines and New Guinea, south to northern Australia.

Family: Dorosomatidae Gill 1861

Genus: *Amblygaster* Bleeker 1849

178. *Amblygaster sirm* (Walbaum 1792)

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: Randall (1995) as *Sardinella sirm*; Pakistan: -. **IUCN (2018):** Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Persian Gulf, Seychelles, Madagascar and western Mascarenes east to northern Gilbert Islands (Kiribati), Samoa, and Tonga, north to southern Japan, south to Dampier Archipelago (Western Australia), Queensland (Australia), and New Caledonia.

Genus: *Tenuulosa* Fowler 1934

179. *Tenuulosa ilisha* (Hamilton 1822)-Hilsa shad

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Whitehead (1985); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Zugmayer (1913) as *Clupea ilisha*, Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2013): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Madagascar and Persian Gulf east to South China Sea.

180. *Tenuulosa toli* (Valenciennes 1847)-Toli shad

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Jawad et al. (2011a); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2018): Vulnerable (VU).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific; Mauritius (Mascarenes) and Persian Gulf east to western Indonesia, north to South China Sea.

Remark: Genus *Tenuulosa* now belongs to Dorosomatidae (Wang et al., 2022).

Order: Alepocephaliformes

Family: Alepocephalidae Bonaparte 1846

Genus: *Narcetes*

181. *Narcetes stomias* (Gilbert 1890)-Blackhead salmon

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Lloyd (1906) as *Narcetes affinis*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: ZSI (Oman).

IUCN (2014): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Circumglobal; in eastern Pacific from Washington (U.S.A.) south to Panama.

Family: Platytrichtidae Roule 1916

Genus: *Platytrichtes* Günther 1878

182. *Platytrichtes mirus* (Lloyd 1909)

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Sazonov (1976); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: ZMMU (Oman).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Circumglobal.

Order: Gonorynchiformes

Family: Chanidae Günther 1868

Genus: *Chanos* Lacépède 1803

183. *Chanos chanos* (Fabricius 1775)-Milkfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Chanos salmoneus*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2016): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Seychelles, Madagascar, Mascarenes and Persian Gulf east to Hawaiian Islands, north to southern Japan, south to Western Australia, New South Wales (Australia) and Norfolk Island; eastern

Pacific: southern California (U.S.A.) south to northern Peru, including Galapagos Islands (Ecuador); Mediterranean Sea immigrant.

Order: Siluriformes

Family: Plotosidae Bleeker 1858

Genus: *Plotosus* Lacépède 1803

184. *Plotosus limbatus* Valenciennes 1840

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2023): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Western Indian Ocean: East Africa, east to India.

185. *Plotosus lineatus* (Thunberg 1787)

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Plotosus anguillaris*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: NRM (UAE).

IUCN (2023): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, Seychelles, Madagascar, Mascarenes, and Persian Gulf east to Samoa and Tonga, north to southern Korea, southern Japan, and Ogasawara Islands, south to Rottneest Island (Western Australia), Lord Howe Island, and New Caledonia; eastern Mediterranean Sea (Red Sea immigrant).

Family: Ariidae Berg 1958

Genus: *Arius* Cuvier & Valenciennes 1840

186. *Arius arius* (Hamilton 1822)-Threadfin Sea catfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Pakistan east to western Indonesia, north to Vietnam and southern China

187. *Arius maculatus* (Thunberg 1792)-Spotted catfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Eastern Indian Ocean, western Pacific:

Sri Lanka, Bangladesh, and Myanmar east to Philippines, north to China.

188. *Arius subrostratus* Valenciennes 1840-Shovelnose Sea catfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Pakistan east to Philippines.

Genus: *Batrachocephalus* Bleeker 1846

189. *Batrachocephalus mino* (Hamilton 1822)-Beardless Sea catfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Eastern Indian Ocean, western Pacific: east coast of India and Bangladesh, east to Indonesia.

Genus: *Hemiaris* Bleeker 1862

190. *Hemiaris sona* (Hamilton 1822)-Sona Sea catfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Pakistan east to Indonesia.

191. *Hemiaris sumatranus* (Anonymous [Bennett], 1830)-Goat catfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Eastern Indian Ocean, western Pacific: east coast of India and Sri Lanka, east to Indonesia.

Genus: *Hexanematichthys* Bleeker 1858

192. *Hexanematichthys sagor* (Hamilton 1822)-Sagor catfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Eastern Indian Ocean, western Pacific: India and Bangladesh east to Indonesia.

Genus: *Nemapteryx* Ogilby 1908

193. *Nemapteryx nenga* (Hamilton 1822)

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Indian Ocean, western Pacific: Pakistan east to Bali and Kalimantan (Indonesia)

Genus: *Netuma* Bleeker 1858

194. *Netuma bilineata* (Valenciennes 1840)-Bronze catfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf and Gulf of Oman east to Philippines and Papua New Guinea, north to Japan, south to northern Australia.

195. *Netuma thalassina* (Rüppell 1837)-Giant catfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Arius thalassinus*; UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944) as *Arius thalassinus*; Pakistan: Zugmayer (1913) as *Arius thalassinus*, Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH, MUFS (Oman); USNM (Iran).

IUCN (2023): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf and Gulf of Oman east to Philippines and Papua New Guinea, north to Japan, south to northern Australia.

Genus: *Osteogeneiosus* Bleeker 1846

196. *Osteogeneiosus militaris* (Linnaeus 1758)

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2020): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Pakistan east to Indonesia, north to Vietnam.

Genus: *Plicofollis* Kailola 2004

197. *Plicofollis dussumieri* (Valenciennes 1840)

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2016): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Persian Gulf, and Madagascar east to Indonesia and

Thailand.

198. *Plicofollis layardi* (Günther 1866)-Thinspine sea catfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Indian Ocean: Pakistan and Sri Lanka.

199. *Plicofollis platystomus* (Day 1877)

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northern Indian Ocean: Pakistan, India, and Sri Lanka east to Myanmar.

Order: Stomiiformes

Family: Gonostomatidae Cocco 1838

Genus: *Cyclothone* Goode & Bean 1883

200. *Cyclothone acclinidens* Garman 1899-Benttooth bristlemouth

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Norman (1939); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2014): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Circumglobal in warm temperate seas.

201. *Cyclothone pallida* Brauer 1902-Tan bristlemouth

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Norman (1939); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2013): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Circumglobal in temperate, tropical, and subtropical seas.

Family: Sternoptychidae Gill 1863

Genus: *Argyropelecus* Cocco 1829

202. *Argyropelecus gigas* Norman 1930-Hatchetfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Al-Jufaili & Jawad (2021); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2014): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical and temperate seas, except northeastern Pacific.

Family: Phosichthyidae Weitzman 1974

Genus: *Polymetme* McCulloch, 1926

203. *Polymetme corythaeola* (Alcock 1898)-
Rendezvous fish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -;
Pakistan: Parin & Borodulina (1990).

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical and warm
temperate seas, including western Mediterranean Sea.

Genus: *Vinciguerria* Jordan & Evermann 1896

204. *Vinciguerria nimbaria* (Jordan & Williams
1895)-Oceanic lightfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Norman (1939); UAE:
-; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2013): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical and warm
temperate seas.

Family: Stomiidae Bleeker 1859

Genus: *Astronesthes* Richardson 1845

205. *Astronesthes lamellosus* Goodyear & Gibbs
1970

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -;
Pakistan: Parin & Borodulina (1997).

Material: ZMMU (Pakistan).

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indian Ocean.

206. *Astronesthes martensii* Klunzinger 1871

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -;
Pakistan: Parin & Borodulina (1995).

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea, Indo-West Pacific: East Africa
east to Indonesia and northern Australia.

Genus: *Chauliodus* Bloch & Schneider 1801

207. *Chauliodus pammelas* Alcock 1892

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Norman (1939); UAE:
-; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Western Indian Ocean.

Order: Aulopiformes

Family: Synodontidae

Genus: *Harpadon* Lesueur, 1825

208. *Harpadon nehereus* (Hamilton 1822)

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Russell (2022);
Oman: **Species anticipated for the Sea of Oman based
on zoogeography**; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan:
Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: FMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2018): Near Threatened (NT).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Pakistan east to
Solomon Islands, north to southern Korea and
southern Japan.

209. *Harpadon squamosus* Alcock 1891

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1901);
UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2018): Data Deficient (DD)

Distribution: Northeastern Indian Ocean: Bay of
Bengal (India) east to Myanmar.

Genus: *Saurida* Valenciennes, 1850

210. *Saurida longimanus* Norman 1939-Longfin
lizardfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Russell (2022);
Oman: Norman (1939); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan:
Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC)

Distribution: Red Sea; western Indian Ocean: East
Africa east to India, Bangladesh, and Myanmar.

211. *Saurida macrolepis* Tanaka 1917

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -;
Pakistan: **Species Anticipated for the Sea of Oman
based on Zoogeography**.

Material: LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC)

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa and
Persian Gulf east to Gulf of Thailand, north to Korea
and Japan.

212. *Saurida tumbil* (Bloch 1795)

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1888);
UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944); Pakistan:
Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH, Oman (MUFS), LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indian Ocean: East Africa and Persian Gulf east to India.

Genus: *Synodus* Scopoli 1777

213. *Synodus indicus* (Day 1873)

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa and Seychelles east to Philippines, south to Western Australia.

214. *Synodus macrops* Tanaka 1917

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa and Gulf of Aden east to Philippines, north to southern Korea and Japan, south to northern Australia.

Genus: *Trachinocephalus* Gill 1861

215. *Trachinocephalus trachinus* (Temminck & Schlegel, 1846)

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Alavi-Yeganeh and Bozorgchenani, 2023; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015) as *T. myops* (non Forster 1801).

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa and Socotra east to Hawaiian Islands, north to Japan, south to Rottnest Island (Western Australia).

Family: Paralepididae Bonaparte 1835

Genus: *Lestidiops* Hubbs 1916

216. *Lestidiops jayakari* (Boulenger 1889)-Pacific barracudina

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1889) as *Sudis jayakari*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2013): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical and warm temperate seas (including Mediterranean Sea, Red Sea), except southeastern Pacific.

Order: Myctophiformes

Family: Myctophidae Gill, 1893

Genus: *Benthoosema* Goode & Bean 1896

217. *Benthoosema pterotum* (Alcock 1890)

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Norman (1939) as *Myctophum pterotum*; UAE: -; Iran: Valinassab et al. (2013b); Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-Pacific: East Africa east to Philippines and New Ireland (Papua New Guinea), north to Korea and Japan; eastern Pacific: larvae straying to Pacific coast of central Baja California (Mexico).

Genus: *Bolinichthys* Paxton 1972

218. *Bolinichthys pyrsobolus* (Alcock 1890)-Fiery lanternfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1901) as *Scopelus pyrsobolus*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-Pacific: Indian Ocean to central and southern Pacific, north to Japan, south to Australia; eastern Pacific: northern California (U.S.A.) south to Pacific coast of northern Baja California (Mexico).

Order: Lampriformes

Family: Veliferidae Bleeker 1859

Genus: *Velifer* Temminck & Schlegel 1850-Sailfin velifer

219. *Velifer hypselopterus* Bleeker 1879-

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Madagascar east to Vietnam, north to Japan.

Order: Gadiformes

Family: Bregmacerotidae Gill 1872

Genus: *Bregmaceros* Thompson ex Cantor 1840

220. *Bregmaceros atlanticus* Goode & Bean 1886-Antenna codlet

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -;

Pakistan: Belyanina (1974).

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical and warm temperate seas.

221. *Bregmaceros maclellandi* Thompson 1840- Unicorn cod

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Norman (1939); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical seas.

Family: Moridae Moreau 1881

Genus: *Physiculus* Kaup 1858

222. *Physiculus argyropastus* Alcock 1894

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1901); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2022): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Western Indian Ocean: Comoros and Madagascar to western Mascarenes and India.

Order: Beryciformes

Family: Holocentridae Richardson 1846

Genus: *Myripristis* Cuvier 1829

223. *Myripristis botche* Cuvier 1829-Blacktip soldierfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Philippines and New Ireland (Papua New Guinea), north to Ryukyu Islands, south to New Caledonia, Western Australia.

224. *Myripristis murdjan* (Fabricius 1775)-Pinecone soldierfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1888); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, Seychelles, Madagascar, and

Mascarenes east to Wake Atoll, northern Hawaiian Islands, Samoa, and Tonga, north to Ryukyu Islands, south to Western Australia and New South Wales (Australia).

Genus: *Sargocentron* Fowler 1904

225. *Sargocentron rubrum* (Forsskal 1775)-Redcoat

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Holocentrum rubrum*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Kotlyar (1998).

Material: BPBM, MCZ (Oman).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa and Madagascar east to Tonga, north to southern Japan, south to Western Australia, New South Wales (Australia), and Lord Howe Island; southeastern Atlantic; Mediterranean Sea and Sea of Marmara (Red Sea immigrant).

Genus: *Ostichthys* Cuvier 1829

226. *Ostichthys acanthorhinus* Randall, Shimizu & Yamakawa 1982-Spinesnout soldierfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Randall & Heemstra (2022); Oman: Randall et al. (1982); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: CAS, FMNH, MUFS, NSMT-P (Oman), USNM (Iran).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indian Ocean: Gulf of Oman east to Indonesia, south to northern Australia.

Order: Ophidiiformes

Family: Ophidiidae Rafinesque 1810

Genus: *Brotula* Cuvier 1829

227. *Brotula multibarata* Temminck & Schlegel 1846-Goatsbeard brotula

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1889), Günther (1909) as *Brotula jayakari*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Seychelles, Madagascar, Mascarenes, Gulf of Aden, and Persian Gulf east to Hawaiian

Islands and Pitcairn Group, north to southern Korea, Amami Islands (southern Japan), and Ogasawara Islands, south to Western Australia, New Caledonia, and Lord Howe Island. Saint Helena population probably based on a distinct species.

Genus: *Glyptophidium* Alcock 1889

228. *Glyptophidium macropus* Alcock 1894-Bigfoot brotula

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Nielsen & Uiblein (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2020): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indian Ocean: Gulf of Oman, east to western Indonesia.

Genus: *Neobythites* Goode & Bean 1885

229. *Neobythites glorie* Uiblein & Nielsen 2018

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Nielsen & Uiblein (2022); Oman: Uiblein & Nielsen (2018); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH, USNM (Oman).

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: orthwestern Indian Ocean: Gulf of Oman and southern Persian Gulf.

Family: Carapidae Poey, 1867

Genus: *Carapus* Rafinesque, 1810

230. *Carapus mourlani* (Petit 1931)-Star pearlfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: **Species Anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on Zoogeography**; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: OS (Oman).

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-Pacific: South Africa, East Africa, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Hawaiian Islands and Marquesas Islands, north to Wakayama Prefecture (southern Japan), south to northern Australia and New Caledonia; eastern Pacific: Costa Rica south to Ecuador.

Order: Batrachoidiformes

Family: Batrachoididae Jordan 1896

Genus: *Colletteichthys* Greenfield 2006

231. *Colletteichthys dussumieri* (Valenciennes 1837)-

Flat toadfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Hutchins (1984a) as *Austrobatrachus dussumieri*; Oman: Iwatsuki et al. (2013); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: Oman (MUFS).

IUCN (2013): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northern Indian Ocean: Pakistan, India, and Bangladesh.

Order: Gobiiformes

Family: Apogonidae Günther 1859

Genus: *Apogon* Lacepède 1801

232. *Apogon coccineus* Rüppell 1838-Ruby cardinalfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Fraser et al. (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2021): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea, western Indian Ocean: Socotra, Gulf of Oman, Persian Gulf.

233. *Apogon semiornatus* Peters 1876-Oblique-banded cardinalfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2021): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea, Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, Madagascar, and western Mascarenes east to Philippines, Solomon Islands, and Tonga, north to southern Japan, south to Western Australia, New South Wales (Australia), and New Caledonia.

Genus: *Apogonichthyoides* Smith, 1949

234. *Apogonichthyoides nigripinnis* (Cuvier 1828)-Bullseye

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Fraser et al. (2022); Oman: Regan (1905) as *Apogon thurstoni*; UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944) as *Apogon thurstoni*; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2021): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indian Ocean: East Africa, Madagascar and Persian Gulf east to Myanmar, Arafura Sea and northern Australia.

235. *Apogonichthyoides taeniatus* (Cuvier, 1828)-Twobelt cardinalfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Fraser et al. (2022); Oman: Boulenger (1889) as *Apogon taeniatus*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2021): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea, western Indian Ocean: East Africa, Gulf of Oman and Persian Gulf to Madagascar; Mediterranean Sea (Red Sea immigrant).

236. *Apogonichthyoides timorensis* (Bleeker 1854)-Timor cardinalfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Fraser et al. (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2021): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea, Indo-West Pacific: East Africa and Madagascar east to Solomon Islands, north to Taiwan, south to northern Australia.

Genus: *Archamia* Gill, 1863

237. *Archamia bleekeri* (Günther, 1859)-Gon's cardinalfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Fraser et al. (2022); Oman: **Species anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on zoogeography**; UAE: -; Iran: Gon & Randall (2003); Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman); BMNH, ZMUC (Iran).

IUCN (2023): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Pakistan east to Philippines, north to Taiwan.

238. *Archamia fucata* (Cantor 1849)-Orangelined cardinalfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Gon & Randall (2003); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: WAM (Oman).

IUCN (2021): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Persian Gulf, Socotra, Madagascar, Mascarenes and Seychelles east to Marshall Islands, Samoa and Tonga, north to Izu Islands (Japan), southern Japan and Ogasawara Islands, south to Western Australia, Queensland (Australia) and New Caledonia.

Genus: *Cheilodipterus* Lacépède 1801

239. *Cheilodipterus arabicus* (Gmelin 1789)-Tiger

cardinal

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Fraser et al. (2022); Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Red Sea, western Indian Ocean: East Africa, Socotra, Seychelles, and Madagascar east to Pakistan.

240. *Cheilodipterus lineatus* Lacépède 1801-Large toothed cardinalfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1888); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2023): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea, Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Persian Gulf, Socotra, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Marshall Islands and Pitcairn Group, north to southern Japan, south to Western Australia, New South Wales (Australia), Lord Howe Island, Tonga, and Rapa.

241. *Cheilodipterus macrodon* (Lacépède 1802)-Large toothed cardinalfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Fraser et al. (2022); Oman: Gon (1993); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH, CAS (Oman).

IUCN (2013): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea, Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Persian Gulf, Socotra, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Marshall Islands and Pitcairn Group, north to southern Japan, south to Western Australia, New South Wales (Australia), Lord Howe Island, Tonga, and Rapa.

242. *Cheilodipterus novemstriatus* (Rüppell 1838)-Indian Ocean twospot cardinalfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Fraser et al. (2022); Oman: Gon (1993); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BPBM, MUFS, (Oman).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Red Sea; northwestern Indian Ocean: Gulf of Aden and Socotra east to Persian Gulf; Mediterranean Sea (Red Sea immigrant).

243. *Cheilodipterus octovittatus* Cuvier 1828

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1888); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific.

244. *Cheilodipterus persicus* Gon 1993-Persian cardinalfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Fraser et al. (2022); Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.
IUCN (2022): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Socotra; Persian Gulf.

245. *Cheilodipterus quinquelineatus* Cuvier 1828-Five-lined cardinalfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2021): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea, Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Persian Gulf, Socotra, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Marshall Islands and Pitcairn Group, north to southern Japan, south to Western Australia, Queensland (Australia), Lord Howe Island, and Rapa.

Genus: *Fowleria* Jordan & Evermann 1903

246. *Fowleria variegata* (Valenciennes 1832)-Variegated cardinalfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2021): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea, Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Aldabra, Madagascar, Mauritius (Mascarenes), and Persian Gulf east to Philippines, Tonga, and Samoa, north to southern Japan, south to Western Australia, New South Wales (Australia), and New Caledonia.

Genus: *Holapogon* Fraser 1973

247. *Holapogon maximus* (Boulenger 1888)-Titan cardinalfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Fraser et al. (2022); Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Apogon maximus*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH, MUFS, UF (Oman).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Western Indian Ocean: Oman east to

southwestern India.

Genus: *Jaydia* Smith 1961

248. *Jaydia ellioti* (Day 1875)-Flag-in cardinal-fish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Norman (1939) as *Apogon ellioti*; UAE: -; Iran: **Species Anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on Zoogeography**; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman), USNM (Iran).

IUCN (2023): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea, Indo-West Pacific.

249. *Jaydia lineata* (Temminck & Schlegel 1843)-Indian perch

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Randall (1995) as *Apogon lineatus*; UAE: -; Iran: **Species Anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on Zoogeography**; Pakistan: -.

Material: USNM (Iran).

IUCN (2021): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific.

250. *Jaydia smithi* Kotthaus 1970-Smith's cardinalfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Fraser et al. (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2023): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: Gulf of Oman east to Philippines and Marshall Islands, north to Taiwan; Mediterranean Sea (Red Sea immigrant).

251. *Jaydia striata* (Smith & Radcliffe 1912)-Striped cardinalfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Fraser et al. (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2023): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf and Pakistan east to Philippines and Papua New Guinea.

Genus: *Ostorhinchus* Lacépède, 1802

252. *Ostorhinchus angustatus* (Smith & Radcliffe 1911)-Broadstriped cardinalfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Fraser et al. (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2021): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea, Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Caroline and Line islands and Pitcairn Group, north to Taiwan,

Ryukyu Islands (southern Japan), south to Western Australia, Queensland (Australia), New Caledonia, and Tonga.

253. *Ostorhinchus apogonoides* (Bleeker 1856)-Sharp-tooth cardinalfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Fraser et al. (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2021): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Seychelles, Madagascar, and western Mascarenes east to Philippines and Marquesas Islands, north to Amami Islands (southern Japan), south to Queensland (Australia), and Loyalty Islands.

254. *Ostorhinchus aureus* (Lacepède 1802)-Ring-tailed cardinalfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Randall (1995) as *Apogon aureus*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2021): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Persian Gulf, Socotra, Madagascar, and western Mascarenes east to Society Islands, north to Amami Islands (southern Japan), south to Rottneest Island (Western Australia), Sydney (New South Wales, Australia), New Caledonia, and Tonga.

255. *Ostorhinchus cookii* (Macleay 1881)-Cook's cardinalfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Fraser et al. (2022); Oman: Randall (1995) as *Apogon cookii*; UAE: -; Iran: Regan (1905) as *Apogon melanotaenia*; Pakistan: **Species Anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on Zoogeography.**

Material: BMNH (Oman); USNM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2021): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Persian Gulf, Socotra, Madagascar, and Réunion (Mascarenes) east to Philippines, north to southern Sea of Japan, south to Queensland (Australia) and New Caledonia.

256. *Ostorhinchus cyanosoma* (Bleeker 1853)-Yellowstriped cardinalfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: **Species Anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on Zoogeography**; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2021): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Papua New Guinea east to Fiji, north to Japan, south to Queensland (Australia) and Coral Sea.

257. *Ostorhinchus fasciatus* (Shaw 1790)-Broadbanded cardinalfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: **Species Anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on Zoogeography**; UAE: -; Iran: **Species Anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on Zoogeography**; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman); USNM (Iran).

IUCN (2021): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Persian Gulf, Seychelles, Madagascar, and Réunion (Mascarenes) east to Philippines and New Guinea, north to southern Japan, south to northern Australia; Mediterranean Sea (Red Sea immigrant). Restricted to east coast of Australia.

258. *Ostorhinchus fleurieu* Lacepède 1802-Flower cardinalfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Fraser et al. (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, KwaZulu-Natal (South Africa), Persian Gulf, Socotra, and Madagascar east to Philippines and New Ireland (Papua New Guinea), north to Hong Kong and Taiwan, south to Solomon Islands.

259. *Ostorhinchus gularis* (Fraser & Lachner, 1984)-Gular cardinalfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Allen & Randall (1994) as *Apogon smithvanizi*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: WAM (Oman).

IUCN (2023): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea, Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf and Gulf of Oman east to Philippines.

260. *Ostorhinchus holotaenia* (Regan 1905)-Copperstriped cardinalfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Fraser et al. (2022); Oman: Regan (1905) as *Apogon holotaenia*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2022): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: KwaZulu-Natal (South Africa), Socotra, Oman, Mozambique Channel, Madagascar, and western Mascarenes east to Indonesia, north to southern Japan.

Genus: *Pristiapogon* Klunzinger 1870

261. *Pristiapogon exostigma* (Jordan & Starks 1906)- Narrowstripe cardinalfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: **Species anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on zoogeography**; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2021): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea, Indo-West Pacific: Oman and Maldives east to Marshall and Gambier Islands, north to Wake Atoll and southern Japan, south to Western Australia, Queensland (Australia), New Caledonia, Tonga, and Pitcairn Island.

262. *Pristiapogon fraenatus* (Valenciennes 1832)- Bridled cardinalfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Randall (1995) as *Apogon fraenatus*; UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944) as *Apogon fraenatus*; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2021): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Persian Gulf, Socotra, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Line and Gambier islands, north to Ryukyu Islands (southern Japan), south to Western Australia, New South Wales (Australia), New Caledonia, and Austral Islands.

Genus: *Siphamia* Weber, 1909

263. *Siphamia arabica* Gon & Allen 2012

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Fraser et al. (2022); Oman: Randall (1995) as *Siphamia versicolor* (non Smith & Radcliffe 1911), Gon & Allen (2012); UAE: Gon & Allen (2012); Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BPBM (Oman), WAM (U.A.E.).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Western Indian Ocean: Oman and Persian Gulf.

Genus: *Taeniamia* Fraser 2013

264. *Taeniamia lineolata* (Cuvier 1828)-Shimmering

cardinalfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944) as *Apogon lineolatus*; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Red Sea, northwestern Indian Ocean: Gulf of Aden.

265. *Taeniamia sansibaricus* (Pfeffer 1893)- Orangelined cardinalfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Fraser et al. (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Red Sea, western Indian Ocean: South Africa, East Africa, Seychelles and Madagascar east to Maldives.

Genus: *Verulux* Fraser 1972

266. *Verulux cypselurus* (Weber 1909)-Swallowtail cardinalfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Randall (1995) as *Rhabdamia cypselura*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2021): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea, Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Socotra, Madagascar, and Persian Gulf east to Marshall Islands, Fiji, and Tonga, north to Japan, south to Western Australia and New Caledonia.

Family: *Trichonotidae* Bleeker 1859

Genus: *Trichonotus* Bloch & Schneider 1801

267. *Trichonotus arabicus* Randall & Tarr 1994- Arabian sand diver

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2014): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Persian Gulf to southern Oman.

Family: *Gobiidae* Cuvier 1816

Genus: *Acentrogobius* Bleeker 1874

268. *Acentrogobius dayi* Koumans 1941-Day's goby

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Larson et al. (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Ghanbarifardi & Malek (2007); Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Persian Gulf and Gulf of Oman, east to Pakistan.

Genus: *Amblyeleotris* Bleeker 1874

269. *Amblyeleotris diagonalis* Polunin & Lubbock 1979

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Larson et al. (2022); Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -. IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea, Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Persian Gulf, and Madagascar east to Philippines, New Ireland (Papua New Guinea), and Solomon Islands, north to southern Japan, south to Queensland (Australia) and New Caledonia.

270. *Amblyeleotris periophthalma* (Bleeker 1853)- Orange-speckled shrimp goby

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Larson et al. (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -. IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Socotra, Persian Gulf, Madagascar, and western Mascarenes east to Samoa, north to southern Japan, south to Kimberley (Western Australia).

271. *Amblyeleotris steinitzi* (Klausewitz 1974)- Steinitz's shrimp goby

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Larson et al. (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -. IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Socotra, Seychelles, Madagascar, and Réunion (western Mascarenes) east to Marshall Islands and Samoa, north to Amami Islands and Osumi Islands (southern Japan), south to New Caledonia.

272. *Amblyeleotris triguttata* Randall 1994- Triplespot shrimp goby

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Larson et al. (2022); Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -. IUCN (2023): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea, northwestern Indian Ocean: Socotra, Gulf of Oman, Persian Gulf.

273. *Amblyeleotris wheeleri* (Polunin & Lubbock 1977)-Gorgeous prawn goby

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Larson et al. (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -. IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, Madagascar, Saint Brandon's Shoals and Mascarenes east to Marshall Islands and New Ireland (Papua New Guinea), north to Amami Islands and Osumi Islands (southern Japan) and Ogasawara Islands, south to northern Australia.

Genus: *Amblygobius* Bleeker 1874

274. *Amblygobius albimaculatus* (Rüppell 1830)

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: **Species anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on Zoogeography**; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Eastern Indian Ocean, western Pacific: Andaman Islands and Cocos-Keeling Islands east to Marquesas and Tuamotu Islands, north to Ryukyu Islands, south to Rottnest Island (Western Australia), Sydney (New South Wales, Australia), and Lord Howe Island.

Genus: *Apocryptodon* Bleeker, 1874

275. *Apocryptodon madurensis* (Bleeker 1849)- Madura goby

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: **Species Anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on Zoogeography**; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2023): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf east to Philippines, north to southern Japan, south to northern Australia.

Genus: *Asterropteryx* Rüppell 1830

276. *Asterropteryx semipunctata* Rüppell 1830-Starry goby

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: **Species Anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on Zoogeography**; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Persian Gulf, Seychelles, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Wake Atoll, Hawaiian Islands,

and Tuamotu Archipelago, north to Korea, central Japan, and Ogasawara Islands, south to Western Australia, Lord Howe Island, New Caledonia, and Rapa.

Genus: *Aulopareia* Smith 1945

277. *Aulopareia ocellata* (Day 1873)

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northern Indian Ocean: Iran, Pakistan, and India.

Genus: *Awaous* Valenciennes 1837

278. *Awaous jayakari* (Boulenger 1888)

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Gobius jayakari*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: southern Yemen and Gulf of Oman east to Iran; possibly introduced in Pakistan.

Genus: *Bathygobius* Bleeker 1878

279. *Bathygobius cocosensis* (Bleeker 1854)-Cocos frill-goby

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Sadeghi & Esmaeili (2019); Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-Pacific: East Africa to Johnston, Marquesas and Tuamotu islands, north to southern Japan, south to the southern Great Barrier Reef and Rapa Islands; Marianas and Marshall Islands in Micronesia. Misidentified as *Bathygobius fuscus* in Hawaii.

280. *Bathygobius cyclopterus* (Valenciennes 1837)-Spotted frillgoby

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: **Species anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on zoogeography.**

Material: USNM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea, Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Seychelles, Comoros, Madagascar, and

Réunion (western Mascarenes) east to Mariana Islands and Samoa, north to southern Japan, south to Western Australia and New Caledonia.

281. *Bathygobius meggitti* (Hora & Mukerji 1936)-Meggitt's goby

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Larson et al. (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Ghanbarifardi & Malek (2007); Pakistan: **Species Anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on Zoogeography.**

Material: USNM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Persian Gulf, and Socotra east to Fiji, north to Japan, south to northern Australia

Genus: *Boleophthalmus* Valenciennes 1837

282. *Boleophthalmus dussumieri* Valenciennes 1837

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Ghanbarifardi & Malek (2007); Pakistan: Zugmayer (1913) as *Boleophthalmus dussumieri* and *B. dentatus*.

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northern Indian Ocean: Persian Gulf and Oman, east to Pakistan. Occurrence in India, Indonesia, and Mauritius needs verification.

Genus: *Bryaninops* Smith 1959

283. *Bryaninops tigris* Larson 1985- Black coral goby

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Larson et al. (2022); Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea, Indo-West Pacific: Oman and Chagos Archipelago east to Hawaiian Islands, Society Islands, and Samoa, north to Thailand and Ryukyu Islands, south to Australia.

Genus: *Callogobius* Bleeker, 1874

284. *Callogobius amikami* Goren, Miroz & Baranes 1991-Clown goby

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Larson et al. (2022); Oman: Debelius (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea, northwestern Indian Ocean: Socotra, Oman.

285. *Callogobius bifasciatus* (Smith 1958)-Doublebar goby

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Larson et al. (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Western Indian Ocean: South Africa and East Africa to Socotra and Persian Gulf.

Genus: *Cryptocentroides* Popta 1922

286. *Cryptocentroides arabicus* (Gmelin 1789)-Arabian goby

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Jawad et al. (2021); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; northwestern Indian Ocean: Gulf of Aden and Socotra to Persian Gulf.

287. *Cryptocentrus lutheri* (Rüppell 1830)-Luther's prawn-goby

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; northwestern Indian Ocean: Gulf of Aden and Socotra to Persian Gulf.

Genus: *Eviota* Jenkins, 1903

288. *Eviota guttata* Lachner & Karnella 1978-Spotted dwarfgoby

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Larson et al. (2022); Oman: Lachner & Karnella (1978); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea, Indian Ocean: Socotra, Gulf of Oman, and Persian Gulf east to western Indonesia.

289. *Eviota pardalota* Lachner & Karnella 1978-Leopard dwarfgoby

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Larson et al. (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea, northwestern Indian Ocean: Gulf of Oman, Persian Gulf.

290. *Eviota punyit* Tornabene, Valdez, Erdmann & Pezold 2016-Punyit dwarfgoby

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Greenfield & Winterbottom (2016); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea, Indo-West Pacific: Oman, Seychelles, and Comoros east to Ryukyu Islands and eastern Indonesia.

Genus: *Favonigobius* Whitley 1930

291. *Favonigobius melanobranchus* (Fowler 1934)-Blackthroat goby

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Larson et al. (2022); Oman: **Species anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on zoogeography**; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: MCZ (Oman).

IUCN (2023): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa and South Africa, and Persian Gulf east to Indonesia and Papua New Guinea, north to Amami Islands (southern Japan), south to northern Australia; Mediterranean Sea immigrant.

292. *Favonigobius reichei* (Bleeker, 1854) - Indo-Pacific tropical sand goby

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Sadeghi et al. (2017); Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2016): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa to the Philippines, north to Japan, and south to northern Australia.

Genus: *Fusigobius* Whitley 1930

293. *Fusigobius inframaculatus* (Randall 1994)-Innerspotted sandgoby

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Larson et al. (2022); Oman: Randall (1994) as *Coryphopterus inframaculatus*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa and Persian Gulf east to Marquesas Islands, north to southern Japan, south to Queensland (Australia). **IUCN (2019):** Not assessed.

Genus: *Glossogobius* Gill 1859

294. *Glossogobius laticeps* (De Vis, 1884)

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Zarei et al. (2025); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2024): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Western Indian Ocean region, Makran basin of the Gulf of Oman, southern Iran.

295. *Glossogobius tenuiformis* Fowler 1934-Tank goby

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Al-Jufaili et al. (2022); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2015): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Southern Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, Seychelles, Madagascar, and western Mascarenes east to Society Islands, north to Philippines, south to Pilbara (Western Australia), Queensland (Australia), and New Caledonia.

Genus: *Gnatholepis* Bleeker 1874

296. *Gnatholepis cauerensis* (Bleeker 1853)

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: **Species anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on zoogeography**; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: USNM (UAE).

IUCN (2023): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: South Africa, East Africa, Amirantes, Comoros, Madagascar and Mascarenes east to Wake Atoll, Marshall, Line and Gambier islands, north to southern Japan and Ogasawara Islands, south to Rottneest Island (Western Australia), Sydney (New South Wales, Australia), Lord Howe Island, New Caledonia, Tonga, and Pitcairn Island; southern central Atlantic: Saint Helena. Atlantic Ocean immigrant.

Genus: *Gobiodon* Bleeker, 1856

297. *Gobiodon reticulatus* Playfair 1867-Reticulate goby

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2018): Vulnerable (VU).

Distribution: Red Sea, western Indian Ocean: Gulf of Aden to Persian Gulf; Chagos Archipelago.

Genus: *Heteroleotris* Bleeker 1874

298. *Heteroleotris zonata* (Fowler 1934)-Goggles

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: **Species Anticipated for the Sea of Oman**

based on Zoogeography.

Material: USNM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2017): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Western Indian Ocean: South Africa, Socotra, Oman, and Mauritius (Mascarenes) east to western India.

Genus: *Istigobius* Whitley 1932

299. *Istigobius decoratus* (Herre 1927)-Decorated sand-goby

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Larson et al. (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Persian Gulf, Socotra, Seychelles, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Rotuma and Tonga, north to Kagoshima Prefecture (southern Japan), south to New Caledonia and Australia, and Lord Howe Island.

300. *Istigobius ornatus* (1830)-Ornate goby

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Larson et al. (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Ghanbarifardi & Malek (2007); Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2016): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Persian Gulf, Socotra, and Madagascar east to Society and Marquesas Islands, north to southern Japan and Ogasawara Islands (Japan), south to Queensland (Australia), New Caledonia, and Tonga.

Genus: *Lobulogobius* Koumans 1944

301. *Lobulogobius omanensis* Koumans 1944-Oman goby

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Larson et al. (2022); Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: Koumans in Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944); Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indian Ocean and Western Pacific: Gulf of Aden and Oman, east to Papua New Guinea, north to Vietnam, south to northern Australia.

Genus: *Obliquogobius* Koumans 1941

302. *Obliquogobius cometes* (Alcock 1890)

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Larson et al. (2022); Oman: Regan (1905) as *Gobius cometes*; UAE: -;

Iran: **Species anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on Zoogeography**; Pakistan: -.

Material: USNM (Iran).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: India and Myanmar east to the Philippines, north to East China Sea and Japan.

Genus: *Oxyurichthys* Bleeker 1857

303. *Oxyurichthys omanensis* Zarei, Jufaili, Esmaeili, 2022

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Zarei et al. (2022).-; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2024): Data Deficient (DD)

Distribution: Northern Oman.

304. *Oxyurichthys ophthalmonema* (Bleeker 1856)- Eyebrow goby

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Larson et al. (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: South Africa, East Africa, Madagascar and Réunion (western Mascarenes), India, Indonesia, Vietnam, Philippines, and east to Micronesia, north to Ryukyu Islands (Japan), south to Queensland (Australia).

305. *Oxyurichthys papuensis* (Valenciennes 1837)- Frogface goby

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Larson et al. (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Koumans in Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944); Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Persian Gulf, and Madagascar east to Philippines and Society Islands (French Polynesia), north to southern Japan, south to New Caledonia. Former Red Sea records are now assigned to *O. petersii* (Klunzinger 1871).

Genus: *Parachaeturichthys* Bleeker 1874

306. *Parachaeturichthys polynema* (Bleeker 1853)- Taileyed goby

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Larson et al. (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Persian Gulf, and Seychelles east to New Guinea, north to central Japan, south to northern Australia.

Genus: *Periophthalmus* Bloch & Schneider 1801

307. *Periophthalmus waltoni* Koumans 1941- Walton's mudskipper

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Ghanbarifardi & Malek (2007); Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Persian Gulf and Gulf of Oman, east to Pakistan.

Genus: *Pleurosicya* Weber 1913

308. *Pleurosicya micheli* Fourmanoir 1971-Michel's ghost goby

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Larson et al. (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: Socotra, Amirantes, Mozambique Channel and Réunion (western Mascarenes) east to Hawaiian Islands and Tonga, north to Kagoshima Prefecture (southern Japan), south to New Caledonia.

Genus: *Priolepis* Valenciennes 1837

309. *Priolepis cincta* (Regan 1908)-Girdled goby

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Larson et al. (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea, Indo-West Pacific: Seychelles, Comoros, Madagascar, Mascarenes and Persian Gulf east to Fiji and Tonga, north to southern Japan and Ogasawara Islands, south to Western Australia, Elizabeth and Middleton reefs, and New Caledonia.

310. *Priolepis randalli* Winterbottom & BurrIDGE 1992-Randall's goby

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Larson et al. (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea, Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf, Gulf of Oman; Brunei.

Genus: *Scartelaos* Swainson 1839

311. *Scartelaos tenuis* (Day 1876)-Indian Ocean slender mudskipper

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Ghanbarifardi & Malek (2007); Pakistan: Murdy (1989).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Persian Gulf and Gulf of Oman to Pakistan.

Genus: *Trimma* Jordan & Seale 1906

312. *Trimma omanense* Winterbottom 2000-Crescent-wing pygmygoby

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Larson et al. (2022); Oman: Winterbottom (2000); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BPBM, ROM (Oman).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Gulf of Aden and Socotra to Gulf of Oman and Persian Gulf.

313. *Trimma winterbottomi* Randall & Downing 1994-Trench-head pygmygoby

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Larson et al. (2022); Oman: Winterbottom (2019); UAE: -; Iran: Boulenger (1897) as *Gobius townsendi*, Randall & Downing (1994); Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northern Indian Ocean: Socotra, Oman, and Persian Gulf east to western Thailand.

Genus: *Trypauchen* Cuvier & Valenciennes 1837

314. *Trypauchen vagina* (Bloch & Schneider 1801)

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: [Red Sea], Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf east to Philippines, north to northern Vietnam and Taiwan; eastern Mediterranean (Red Sea immigrant).

Genus: *Taenioides* Lacepède 1800

315. *Taenioides nigrimarginatus* Hora, 1924-Blackfin eel goby

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2024): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: South Asia and Southeast Asia: Myanmar, Malay Peninsula, and Mekong Delta.

Genus: *Valenciennes* Bleeker, 1856

316. *Valenciennesa helsdingenii* (Bleeker 1858)-Twostripe goby

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Larson et al. (2022); Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Southern Red Sea, Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Line Islands and Marquesas Islands, north to southern Korea and Japan, south to New South Wales (Australia) and New Caledonia.

317. *Valenciennesa persica* Hoese & Larson, 1994

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Hoese & Larson (1994); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Persian Gulf to Masirah Island, central Oman.

318. *Valenciennesa sexguttata* (Valenciennes 1837)-Sixspot goby

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: **Species anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on zoogeography**; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan.

Material: BMNH (Oman); USNM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Persian Gulf, Seychelles, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Samoa and Tonga, north to Yaeyama Islands and Ryukyu Islands (Japan), south to Western Australia and Queensland (Australia), and New Caledonia.

Genus: *Vanderhorstia* Smith 1949

319. *Vanderhorstia mertensi* Klausewitz 1974-Mertens' prawn-goby

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Larson et al. (2022); Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: Oman;

Philippines north to Taiwan and southern Japan, south to New Guinea and northern Australia; Mediterranean Sea (Red Sea immigrant).

Genus: *Yongeichthys* Whitley 1932

320. *Yongeichthys nebulosus* (Forsskål 1775) - Shadow goby

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Larson et al. (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa and Madagascar east to Society Islands, north to Kagoshima Prefecture (southern Japan), south to Western Australia and Queensland (Australia) and New Caledonia.

Genus: *Parioglossus* Regan 1912

321. *Parioglossus raoi* (Herre 1939)-Rao's hover goby

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Larson (2022); Oman: Randall et al. (1994); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2023): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf east to Micronesia and Fiji, north to Yaeyama Islands and Kagoshima Prefecture (southern Japan).

Order: Syngnathiformes

Family: Pegasidae Bonaparte 1831

Genus: *Pegasus* Linnaeus 1758

322. *Pegasus volitans* Linnaeus 1758- Longtail seamouth

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Regan (1905) as *Pegasus natans*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan:

IUCN (2016): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Madagascar, and Persian Gulf east to Philippines and New Guinea, north to southern Japan, south to Mandurah (Western Australia) and Shellharbour (New South Wales, Australia).

Family: Dactylopteridae Gill 1861

Genus: *Dactyloptena* Jordan & Richardson 1908

323. *Dactyloptena orientalis* (Cuvier 1829)-Oriental flying gurnard

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1889) as *Dactylopterus orientalis*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: South Africa, East Africa, Madagascar, Mascarenes, and Persian Gulf east to Hawaiian Islands and Pitcairn Group, north to southern Sea of Japan (Korea, Japan) and Ogasawara Islands (Japan), south to Western Australia, New South Wales (Australia), New Zealand, New Caledonia, Tonga, and Rapa.

Family: Mullidae Rafinesque 1815

Genus: *Mulloidichthys* Whitley 1929

324. *Mulloidichthys flavolineatus* (Lacepède 1801)-Yellowstripe goatfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Kumara & Randall (1984); Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Mulloides flavolineatus*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH, MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Persian Gulf, Socotra, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Hawaiian Islands, Line Islands, and Pitcairn Group, north to southern Japan, south to Western Australia, New South Wales (Australia) at 36°S, Lord Howe Island, northern New Zealand, and Rapa.

325. *Mulloidichthys vanicolensis* (Valenciennes 1831)-Yellowfin goatfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Kumara & Randall (1984); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944) as *Mulloidichthys auriflamma* (non Forsskål 1775); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: TKPM (Oman).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Socotra, Comoros, Madagascar, and western Mascarenes east to Hawaiian Islands, Line Islands, and Pitcairn Group, north to southern Japan, south to Western Australia, New South Wales (Australia), Lord Howe, Norfolk, New Caledonia, Kermadec

Islands, Tonga, and Gambier Islands.

Genus: *Parupeneus* Bleeker 1863

326. *Parupeneus ciliatus* (Lacepède 1803)

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1889) as *Upeneus pleurotaenia*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Persian Gulf, Seychelles, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Marshall Islands and Pitcairn, north to southern Sea of Japan (Korea, Japan), south to western Australia, Jervis Bay (A.C.T., Australia), Lord Howe Island, New Caledonia, Tonga, and Rapa.

327. *Parupeneus cyclostomus* (Lacepède 1801)-Gold-saddle goatfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Kumara & Randall (1984); Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Upeneus cyclostoma*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BPBM, MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Persian Gulf, Socotra, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Hawaiian and Line islands and Pitcairn Group, north to southern Japan, south to Rottneest Island (Western Australia), central New South Wales (Australia), New Caledonia, and Rapa.

328. *Parupeneus heptacanthus* (Lacepède 1802)-Cinnabar goatfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Kumara & Randall (1984) as *Parupeneus cinnabarinus*; Oman: Randall (2004); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Persian Gulf, Madagascar and Mascarenes east to Marshall Islands, Samoa and Tonga, north to southern Sea of Japan, south to Rottneest Island (Western Australia), Lizard Island (Queensland, Australia), Lord Howe Island and New Caledonia.

329. *Parupeneus indicus* (Shaw 1803)-Indian goatfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Regan (1905) as *Upeneus indicus*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan:

Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: South Africa, East Africa, Socotra, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Marshall and Austral islands, north to southern Japan and Ogasawara Islands, south to Western Australia, Queensland (Australia), New Caledonia, and Tonga.

330. *Parupeneus macronemus* (Lacepède 1801)-Long-barbel goatfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Kumara & Randall (1984) as *Parupeneus macronema*; Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Upeneus macronemus*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH, MCZ, MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Persian Gulf, Socotra, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Indonesia and Philippines, north to Taiwan.

331. *Parupeneus margaritatus* Randall & Guézé 1984-Pearly goatfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Randall & Guézé (1984); UAE: -; Iran: Randall (2004); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH, MNHN (Oman).

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Persian Gulf to Pakistan.

332. *Parupeneus rubescens* (Lacepède 1801)-Rosy goatfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Uiblein & Randall (2022); Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Upeneus dispilurus*, Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Southeastern Indian Ocean, western Pacific: Indonesia east to Philippines, north to southern Sea of Japan, south to Geographe Bay (Western Australia), New South Wales (Australia), northern New Zealand, and Kermadec Islands.

333. *Parupeneus trifasciatus* (Lacepède 1801)-Doublebar goatfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Kumara & Randall (1984) as *Parupeneus bifasciatus*; Oman: -; UAE: -;

Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: South Africa, East Africa, Socotra, Seychelles, Comoros, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to western Indonesia and to southern Japan.

Genus: *Upeneus* Cuvier, 1829

334. *Upeneus doriae* (Günther 1869)-Gilded goatfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Uiblein & Randall (2022); Oman: Randall (1995), Uiblein & Heemstra (2010); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: NRM (Oman); BPBM (Iran).

IUCN (2019): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Persian Gulf and Gulf of Oman.

335. *Upeneus guttatus* (Day 1868)-Two-tone goatfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa (south Mozambique) and Madagascar east to Philippines, north Australia and New Caledonia, north to southern Japan.

336. *Upeneus heemstra* Uiblein & Gouws 2014-Heemstra goatfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; western Indian Ocean: East Africa, Socotra, Seychelles, and Madagascar to India and Sri Lanka.

337. *Upeneus moluccensis* (Bleeker 1855)-Goldband goatfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Kumara & Randall (1984); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Madagascar, and Réunion east to Caroline Islands and New Guinea, north to southern Japan, south to Western Australia and Queensland (Australia); eastern Mediterranean Sea and Sea of Marmara (Red Sea immigrant).

338. *Upeneus randalli* Uiblein & Heemstra 2011

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Uiblein et al. (2019); Pakistan: -.

Material: ZMUC (Iran).

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Persian Gulf and Gulf of Oman.

339. *Upeneus sulphureus* Cuvier 1829-Sulphur goatfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Kumara & Randall (1984); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Persian Gulf, Seychelles, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Philippines and Fiji, north to southern Japan, south to Western Australia and New Caledonia.

340. *Upeneus supravittatus* Uiblein & Heemstra 2010-Long-fin goatfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Uiblein & Randall (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Alavi-Yeganeh et al. (2022); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indian Ocean: Gulf of Oman, east to Sri Lanka and Myanmar.

341. *Upeneus tragula* Richardson 1846

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: **Species Anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on Zoogeography**; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944); Pakistan: -.

Material: NRM (UAE).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa and Persian Gulf east to Philippines, New Ireland (Papua New Guinea) and Solomon Islands, north to southern Sea of Japan (Korea, Japan), south to Rottnest Island (Western Australia), Sydney (New South Wales, Australia) and New Caledonia.

342. *Upeneus vittatus* (Forsskål 1775)-Yellowstriped goatfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Kumara & Randall (1984); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Persian Gulf, Seychelles, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Hawaiian Islands, Line Islands, and Marquesas Islands, north to southern Japan, south to Western Australia, New Caledonia, and Tonga.

Family: Callionymidae Bonaparte 1831

Genus: *Callionymus* Linnaeus 1758

343. *Callionymus carebares* Alcock 1890-Indian deepwater dragonet

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Fricke & Anderson (2022); Oman: Regan (1905); UAE: -; Iran: Fricke (1981a); Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH, FMNH (Oman); BMNH (Iran).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Western Indian Ocean: Gulf of Aden, Gulf of Oman, and Persian Gulf to the coasts of India.

344. *Callionymus filamentosus* Valenciennes 1837-Blotchfin dragonet

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Regan (1905); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Socotra, Seychelles, and Persian Gulf east to Philippines and New Guinea, north to southern Taiwan, south to Western Australia and Vanuatu; Mediterranean Sea (Red Sea immigrant).

345. *Callionymus margaretae* Regan 1905-Margaret's dragonet

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Fricke (2022); Oman: Regan (1905); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Fricke (1980).

Material: BMNH, LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Northern Indian Ocean: Somalia, Oman, and Persian Gulf east to Myanmar and Andaman Sea coast of Thailand.

346. *Callionymus muscatensis* Regan 1905-Muscat dragonet

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Fricke (2022);

Oman: Regan (1905); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Southern Red Sea, northwestern Indian Ocean: Gulf of Oman.

347. *Callionymus persicus* Regan 1905-Persian dragonet

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Fricke (2022); Oman: Regan (1905); UAE: -; Iran: Regan (1905); Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman), BMNH (Iran).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Western Indian Ocean: Gulf of Aden, Oman, and Persian Gulf to Comoros, Seychelles and Maldives.

Genus: *Diplogrammus* Gill, 1865

348. *Diplogrammus pygmaeus* Fricke, 1981-Pygmy dragonet

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Fricke (1981); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: southern Oman, Gulf of Oman, and Persian Gulf.

Genus: *Synchiropus* Gill 1859

349. *Synchiropus postulus* Smith 1963-Dwarf dragonet

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Fricke (2002); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: ROM (Oman).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Western Indian Ocean.

Family: Fistulariidae Blainville 1818

Genus: *Fistularia* Linnaeus 1758

350. *Fistularia commersonii* Rüppell 1838-Bluespotted cornetfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2016): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Southeastern Atlantic: Ascension Island;

Red Sea; Indo-Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, Madagascar, Mascarenes and Persian Gulf east to eastern Pacific, north to Sea of Japan (Korea, Japan), Ogasawara Islands (Japan) and Hawaiian Islands (U.S.A.), south to Rottneest Island (Western Australia), New Caledonia, New Zealand and Rapa; eastern Pacific: southern California (U.S.A.) south to Panama, including Gulf of California (Mexico) and Galapagos Islands (Ecuador); Mediterranean Sea (Red Sea immigrant).

351. *Fistularia petimba* Lacepède 1803-Red cornetfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Fistularia serrata*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2024): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical seas (including Mediterranean Sea, Red Sea, Persian Gulf, South China Sea, Sea of Japan), but not in eastern Pacific.

Family: Centriscidae Bonaparte, 1831

Genus: *Aeoliscus* Jordan & Starks 1902

352. *Aeoliscus strigatus* (Günther 1861)-Razorfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Regan (1905) as *Amphisile strigata*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2015): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Eastern Indian Ocean, western Pacific: Andaman Islands east to Pohnpei (Micronesia), north to Kagoshima prefecture (southern Japan), south to Queensland (Australia) and New Caledonia.

Genus: *Centriscus* Linnaeus 1758

353. *Centriscus scutatus* Linnaeus 1758

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Amphisile scutata*; UAE: -; Iran: **Species anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on zoogeography**; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman); OS (Iran).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf east to New Guinea, north to southern Japan, south to New South Wales (Australia) and New Caledonia.

Family: Syngnathidae

Genus: *Bryx* Herald 1940

354. *Bryx analicarens* (Duncker 1915)-Pink pipefish
Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Duncker (1915) as *Syngnathus analicarens*; Pakistan: Duncker (1915) as *Syngnathus analicarens*.

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Southern Red Sea, western Indian Ocean: East Africa, Seychelles, and Madagascar east to Gulf of Oman, Persian Gulf, and northwestern India.

Genus: *Choeroichthys* Kaup 1856

355. *Choeroichthys valencienni* Kaup 1856-Valenciennes's pipefish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Moots (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea, western Indian Ocean: East Africa east to Amirantes, Madagascar and western Mascarenes.

Genus: *Corythoichthys* Kaup 1853

356. *Corythoichthys amplexus* Dawson & Randall 1975-Brown-banded pipefish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2016): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Seychelles east to Fiji and Samoa, north to Philippines, south to northern Australia.

357. *Corythoichthys flavofasciatus* (Rüppell 1838)-Network pipefish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Moots (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indian Ocean: East Africa, Seychelles, Comoros, Madagascar, Réunion, Mauritius, and Rodrigues (Mascarenes) east to Indonesia.

358. *Corythoichthys haematopterus* (Bleeker 1851)-Bloodspot pipefish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Moots (2022);

Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2016): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Persian Gulf, Seychelles, Aldabra, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Palau, New Ireland (Papua New Guinea), and Vanuatu, north to southern Japan and Taiwan, south to northwestern Australia and New Caledonia.

Genus: *Cosmocampus* Dawson 1979

359. *Cosmocampus banneri* Herald & Randall 1972-Banner's pipefish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Moots (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2016): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Comoro Islands, Seychelles, and Mauritius (Mascarenes) east to Marshall Islands, Fiji, and Tonga, north to Ryukyu Islands and Ogasawara Islands, south to Western Australia and New Caledonia.

360. *Cosmocampus investigatoris* (Hora 1926)-Investigator pipefish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Moots (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2016): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northern Indian Ocean: Persian Gulf east to Andaman Sea

Genus: *Doryrhamphus* Kaup 1856

361. *Doryrhamphus excisus* Kaup 1856-Bluestripe pipefish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Moots (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2016): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Western Indian Ocean: East Africa, Persian Gulf, Socotra, Comoros, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Maldives.

Genus: *Halicampus* Kaup 1856

362. *Halicampus zavoensis* Dawson 1984-Zavora pipefish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Moots (2022); Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2016): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Western Indian Ocean: South Africa and East Africa to Oman and Persian Gulf.

Genus: *Hippichthys* Bleeker 1849

363. *Hippichthys cyanospilos* (Bleeker 1854)-Bluespeckled pipefish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Moots (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea, Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Madagascar, and Persian Gulf east to Palau and Fiji, north to Ryukyu Islands, south to Queensland (Australia).

Genus: *Hippocampus* Lesson 1827

364. *Hippocampus jayakari* Boulenger 1900

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Moots (2022); Oman: Boulenger (1900); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2016): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea, western Indian Ocean: East Africa, Persian Gulf, Seychelles, Réunion and Mauritius (western Mascarenes), east to Maldives.

365. *Hippocampus suezensis* Duncker 1940-Egyptian seahorse

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Moots (2022); Oman: Jawad et al. (2011); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2017): Vulnerable (VU).

Distribution: Red Sea, northwestern Indian Ocean: Socotra and Oman east to Pakistan.

Genus: *Micrognathus* Duncker 1912

366. *Micrognathus andersonii* (Bleeker 1858)-Anderson's pipefish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Moots (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2016): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea, Indo-West Pacific: East Africa and Madagascar east to Mariana and Society Islands, north to southern Japan, south to northern Australia.

Genus: *Syngnathoides* Bleeker 1851

367. *Syngnathoides biaculeatus* (Bloch 1785)

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Moots (2022); Oman: Species Anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on Zoogeography; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2016): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa and South Africa, Madagascar and Mauritius (Mascarenes) east to Marshall Islands and Samoa, north to southern Korea and southern Japan, south to Western Australia, New South Wales (Australia), New Caledonia and Tonga.

Genus: *Trachyrhamphus* Kaup 1853

368. *Trachyrhamphus bicoarctatus* (Bleeker 1857)-Double-ended pipefish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Moots (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2016): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Persian Gulf, Madagascar, Comoros and Mascarenes east to Mariana Islands and New Guinea, north to southern Japan, south to Western Australia and New South Wales (Australia).

Order: Scombriformes

Family: Centrolophidae Bonaparte 1846

Genus: *Psenopsis* Gill 1862

369. *Psenopsis cyanea* (Alcock 1890)-Indian ruff

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated.

Distribution: Northern Indian Ocean.

Family: Nomeidae Günther 1860

Genus: *Cubiceps* Lowe 1843

370. *Cubiceps whiteleggii* (Waite 1894)-Shadow driftfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Norman (1939) as *Psenes guttatus*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, and Mascarenes east to Philippines and New Ireland (Papua New Guinea), north to Korea and Japan, south to Australia.

Family: Ariommatidae Haedrich 1967

Genus: *Ariomma* Jordan & Snyder 1904

371. *Ariomma indica* (Day 1871)-Indian driftfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Haedrich (1984), Parin & Piotrovsky (2004); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944) as *Psenes indicus*; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: South Africa, East Africa, Madagascar, and Persian Gulf east to Philippines, north to central Japan, south to northern Australia.

372. *Ariomma parini* Piotrovsky 1987-Parin's driftfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Anderson (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Western Indian Ocean: East Africa and Gulf of Oman to Saya de Malha Bank.

Family: Stromateidae Rafinesque 1810

Genus: *Pampus* Bonaparte 1834

373. *Pampus chinensis* (Euphrasen 1788)-Chinese silver pomfret

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Haedrich (1984), Parin & Piotrovsky (2004); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf east to eastern Indonesia, north to southern Japan.

Family: Pomatomidae Gill, 1863

Genus: *Pomatomus* Lacépède 1802

374. *Pomatomus saltatrix* (Linnaeus 1766)-Bluefish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Iwatsuki et al. (2013); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2014): Vulnerable (VU).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical through temperate seas (including Mediterranean Sea, Sea of Marmara, Black Sea) but excluding eastern and northwestern Pacific.

Family: Scombridae Rafinesque 1815

Genus: *Acanthocybium* Gill 1862

375. *Acanthocybium solandri* (Cuvier 1832)-Wahoo

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2022): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical and warm temperate seas (including Caribbean Sea, Mediterranean Sea, Persian Gulf, Sea of Japan).

Genus: *Auxis* Cuvier 1829

376. *Auxis rochei* (Risso 1810)-Bullet tuna

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Collette & Nauen (1983), Collette & Graves (2019); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2022): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Western Atlantic; western Baltic Sea; North Sea; Mediterranean Sea; Sea of Marmara; Black Sea; eastern Atlantic.

377. *Auxis thazard* (Lacepède 1800)-Frigate tuna

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Collette & Nauen (1983), Collette & Graves (2019); Oman: Jawad et al. (2012a); UAE: -; Iran: Parsa et al. (2018); Pakistan: Collette & Aadland (1996).

IUCN (2022): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical through temperate seas (including Mediterranean Sea; Red Sea; Persian Gulf; South China Sea; Sea of Japan), but not in eastern Pacific.

Genus: *Euthynnus* Lütken 1883

378. *Euthynnus affinis* (Cantor 1849)-Kawakawa

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Collette & Nauen (1983), Collette & Graves (2019); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Paighambari et al. (2018); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2022): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, Seychelles, Madagascar, Mascarenes and Persian Gulf east to Hawaiian Islands (U.S.A.), north to Korea, central Japan and Ogasawara

Islands (Japan), south to Western Australia, New South Wales (Australia), New Caledonia and Tonga; eastern Pacific: southern California (U.S.A.) south to Panama.

Genus: *Katsuwonus* Kishinouye 1915

379. *Katsuwonus pelamis* (Linnaeus 1758)-Skipjack tuna

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Collette & Nauen (1983), Collette & Graves (2019); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Hashemi et al. (2021); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2021): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical and warm temperate seas (including Gulf of Mexico, Caribbean Sea, Mediterranean Sea, Persian Gulf, South China Sea, Sea of Japan, southern Gulf of California/Mexico).

Genus: *Rastrelliger* Jordan & Starks 1908

380. *Rastrelliger kanagurta* (Cuvier 1816)-Indian mackerel

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Collette & Nauen (1983), Collette & Graves (2019); Oman: Jawad et al. (2011b), Iwatsuki et al. (2013); UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944) as *Scomber microlepidotus*; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: MUFS, NRM (Oman), LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2022): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, Madagascar, western Mascarenes, and Persian Gulf east to Samoa, north to southern Japan, south to northwestern Australia and New Caledonia; Mediterranean Sea (Red Sea immigrant).

Genus: *Sarda* Cuvier 1829

381. *Sarda orientalis* (Temminck & Schlegel 1844)-Striped bonito

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Collette (2022); Oman: Boulenger (1889) as *Pelamys orientalis*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2021): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Persian Gulf, Seychelles, Madagascar and western Mascarenes east to Hawaiian Islands (U.S.A.), north to Korea and central Japan and Ogasawara Islands, south to Rottnest Island (Western Australia) and Northern Territory (Australia); eastern Pacific: southern tip of Baja California Sur (Mexico) south to Peru, including Revillagigedo Islands (Mexico).

Genus: *Scomber* Linnaeus 1758

382. *Scomber australasicus* Cuvier 1832-Blue mackerel

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Collette & Nauen (1983) as *Scomber japonicus* (non Houttuyn 1782), Collette & Graves (2019); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2022): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-Pacific: Socotra, Persian Gulf; northern Vietnam, Korea, Japan and Kuril Islands south to Rottnest Island (Western Australia) and New Zealand, east to Hawaiian Islands; Socorro Island off Mexico (eastern Pacific).

Genus: *Scomberomorus* Lacepède 1801

383. *Scomberomorus commerson* (Lacepède 1800)-Narrow-barred Spanish mackerel

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Collette & Nauen (1983), Collette & Graves (2019); Oman: Iwatsuki et al. (2013); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2022): Near Threatened (NT).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, Seychelles, Comoros, Madagascar, western Mascarenes and Persian Gulf, east to Palau and Fiji, north to Korea and southern Japan, south to Rottnest Island (Western Australia), New South Wales (Australia), New Caledonia and Lord Howe Island; southern central Atlantic: Saint Helena Island; Mediterranean Sea (Red Sea immigrant).

384. *Scomberomorus guttatus* (Bloch & Schneider 1801)-Indo-Pacific king mackerel

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Collette & Nauen (1983), Collette & Graves (2019); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944) as *Cybius guttatus*; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2022): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Socotra and Persian Gulf east to Philippines, north to southern Japan.

385. *Scomberomorus koreanus* (Kishinouye 1915)-Korean seerfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2022): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Mumbai (India) east to Singapore, north to Sea of Japan.

386. *Scomberomorus lineolatus* (Cuvier 1829)-Streaked seerfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1889) as *Cybius lineolatus*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2022): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Pakistan and India, east to the Gulf of Thailand and Java (Indonesia).

Genus: *Thunnus* South 1845

387. *Thunnus albacares* (Bonnaterre 1788)-Yellowfin tuna

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Collette & Nauen (1983), Collette & Graves (2019); Oman: Boulenger (1892) as *Thynnus albacora*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2021): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical and warm temperate seas (including Gulf of Mexico, Caribbean Sea, Red Sea, Persian Gulf, South China Sea, Gulf of California/Mexico).

388. *Thunnus obesus* (Lowe 1839)-Bigeye tuna

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Iwatsuki et al. (2013); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2021): Vulnerable (VU).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical and warm temperate seas (including Caribbean Sea, Persian Gulf, South China Sea).

389. *Thunnus tonggol* (Bleeker 1851)-Longtail tuna
Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Iwatsuki et al. (2013); UAE: -; Iran: Vahabnezhad et al. (2021); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2021): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa and Persian Gulf east to New Guinea, north to Korea and central Japan, south to northern Australia.

Genus: *Taractes* Lowe 1834

390. *Taractes rubescens* (Jordan & Evermann 1887)

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Jawad et al. (2014a); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2013): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical and subtropical seas (including Mediterranean Sea; Sea of Japan).

Genus: *Taractichthys* Mead & Maul 1958

391. *Taractichthys steindachneri* (Döderlein 1883)-Sickle pomfret

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Al-Jufaili & Esmaili (2022); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-Pacific: South Africa and Réunion (western Mascarenes) east to Hawaiian Islands, Gulf of Oman, and southern California (U.S.A.), north to southern Sea of Japan, south to New Caledonia and Kermadec Islands.

Family: Trichiuridae Rafinesque 1810

Genus: *Eupleurogrammus* Gill 1862

392. *Eupleurogrammus glossodon* (Bleeker 1860)-Longtooth hairtail

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Nakamura & Parin (1993); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf and Oman east to Indonesia.

393. *Eupleurogrammus muticus* (Gray 1831)-Smallhead hairtail

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Nakamura & Parin

(1993); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944) as *Trichiurus muticus*; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2014): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf and Oman east to Indonesia, north to Korea.

Genus: *Lepturacanthus* Fowler 1905

394. *Lepturacanthus savala* (Cuvier 1829)-Savalai hairtail

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Pakistan, India, and Sri Lanka east to western Pacific.

Genus: *Tentoriceps* Whitley 1948

395. *Tentoriceps cristatus* (Klunzinger 1884)-Crested hairtail

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa east to Philippines, north to southern Korea and southern Japan, south to New South Wales and Australia.

Genus: *Trichiurus* Linnaeus 1758

396. *Trichiurus auriga* Klunzinger 1884

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Nakamura & Parin (1993); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2022): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Red Sea, Indo-West Pacific: India east to New Ireland (Papua New Guinea), south to northern Australia.

397. *Trichiurus lepturus* Linnaeus 1758-Largehead hairtail

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Nakamura & Parin (1993); Oman: Boulenger (1889) as *Trichiurus haumela*, Iwatsuki et al. (2013); UAE: -; Iran: Muhammad et al. (2017); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: MUFS (Oman), LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2013): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical and warm temperate seas (including Gulf of Mexico, Caribbean Sea, Mediterranean Sea, Sea of Marmara, Red Sea, Persian Gulf).

Order: Carangiformes

Family: Latidae Jordan 1888

Genus: *Lates* Cuvier & Valenciennes 1828

398. *Lates calcarifer* (Bloch 1790)-Barramundi

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf east to Philippines and New Guinea, north to northern Vietnam and southern China, south to Pilbara (Western Australia) and northern Queensland (Australia); mostly in brackish and fresh water.

Family: Lactariidae Boulenger 1904

Genus: *Lactarius* Valenciennes 1833

399. *Lactarius lactarius* (Bloch & Schneider 1801)-False trevally

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Heemstra (2022b); Oman: Boulenger (1892) as *Lactarius delicatulus*; UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Oman, Persian Gulf, and Mauritius (Mascarenes) east to Fiji, north to southern Japan, south to Queensland (Australia).

Family: Sphyraenidae Rafinesque 1815

Genus: *Sphyraena* Artedi 1793

400. *Sphyraena acutipinnis* Day, 1876-Sharpfin barracuda

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Doiuchi & Nakabo (2022); Oman: Boulenger (1889); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2023): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, Seychelles, Comoros,

Madagascar, Mascarenes, and Persian Gulf east to Samoa, north to southern Japan and Korea, south to Lord Howe Islands and New Caledonia; eastern Mediterranean Sea (Red Sea migrant).

401. *Sphyraena barracuda* (Edwards 1771)-Great barracuda

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Doiuchi & Nakabo (2022); Oman: Boulenger (1889) as *Sphyraena agam*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2013): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical and warm temperate seas (including Gulf of Mexico, Caribbean Sea, Red Sea, Persian Gulf, Sea of Japan), except for eastern Pacific (waifs reaching Galápagos Archipelago).

402. *Sphyraena forsteri* Cuvier 1829-Bigeye barracuda

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Doiuchi & Nakabo (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2023): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Madagascar, and Persian Gulf east to Society Islands and Marquesas Islands, north to southern Japan, south to New Caledonia and Tonga.

403. *Sphyraena jello* Cuvier 1829-Pickhandle barracuda

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Doiuchi & Nakabo (2022); Oman: Boulenger (1888); UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH, MCZ (Oman).

IUCN (2023): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, Madagascar, Mauritius (Mascarenes), and Persian Gulf east to Fiji and Tonga, north to central Japan, south to Western Australia, New South Wales (Australia), and New Caledonia.

404. *Sphyraena obtusata* Cuvier 1829-Obtuse barracuda

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Doiuchi & Nakabo (2022); Oman: Boulenger (1888); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2023): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Seychelles, Madagascar, and Persian Gulf east to Philippines and New Ireland (Papua New Guinea), north to southern Japan, south to northern Australia; Mediterranean Sea (Red Sea immigrant).

405. *Sphyraena pinguis* Günther 1874-Red barracuda
Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Doiuchi & Nakabo (2022); Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Sphyraena chrysotaenia*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2023): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Persian Gulf, and Madagascar east to Philippines and New Guinea, north to Korea and central Japan, south to South Australia; immigrated into eastern Mediterranean through Suez Canal.

406. *Sphyraena putnamae* Jordan & Seale 1905-Sawtooth barracuda
Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Doiuchi & Nakabo (2022); Oman: Iwatsuki et al. (2013) as *Sphyraena putnamiae*; UAE: -; Iran: Parsa et al. (2018) as *Sphyraena putnamiae*; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: MUFS (Oman), LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2023): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Socotra, Madagascar, and Persian Gulf east to Fiji and Tuvalu, north to southern Japan, south to Western Australia, Queensland (Australia), and New Caledonia.

407. *Sphyraena qenie* Klunzinger 1870-Blackfin barracuda
Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Doiuchi & Nakabo (2022); Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Sphyraena kenie*, Iwatsuki et al. (2013) as *Sphyraena qeni*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH, MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2023): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-Pacific: East Africa, Persian Gulf, Socotra, Seychelles, Madagascar and Mauritius (Mascarenes) east to Mexico and Ecuador

(eastern Pacific), Tuamotu Archipelago and Marquesas Islands, north to Hawaiian Islands, south to Western Australia, Queensland (Australia), New Caledonia, Tonga, New Zealand, and Rapa.

Family: Polynemidae Rafinesque 1815

Genus: *Eleutheronema* Bleeker 1862

408. *Eleutheronema tetradactylum* (Shaw 1804)-Fourfinger threadfin

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Motomura (2004); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf east to Papua New Guinea, north to southern China, south to northern Australia

Genus: *Filimanus* Myers 1936

409. *Filimanus similis* Feltes, 1991- Indian sevenfinger threadfin

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Indian Ocean: Pakistan east to Bangladesh, Myanmar, and western coast of Malaya (Malaysia).

Genus: *Leptomelanosoma* Motomura & Iwatsuki 2001

410. *Leptomelanosoma indicum* (Shaw 1804)-Indian threadfin

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: South Africa, Mozambique, Madagascar, and western Mascarenes; Pakistan east to New Guinea.

Genus: *Polydactylus* Lacepède 1803

411. *Polydactylus mullani* (Hora 1926)-Arabian blackspot threadfin

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Béarez et al. (2011); UAE: -; Iran: Motomura (2004); Pakistan: Motomura & Iwatsuki (2001).

Material: MNHN (Oman); LACM, USNM (Pakistan).
IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Oman to India.

412. *Polydactylus plebeius* (Broussonet 1782)-Striped threadfin

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Polynemus plebejus*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Socotra, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Philippines, Society and Marquesas islands, north to Korea and central Japan, south to Western Australia, Port Stephens (New South Wales), New Caledonia, and Tonga.

Genus: *Polynemus* Linnaeus 1758

413. *Polynemus paradiseus* Linnaeus 1758- Paradise threadfin

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Pakistan and India, east to Thailand.

Family: Psettodidae Bennett 1831

Genus: *Psettodes* Bennett, 1831

414. *Psettodes erumei* (Bloch & Schneider 1801)-Indian halibut

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Nielsen (1984); Oman: Boulenger (1888); UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: ANSP (Oman); ANSP (Iran); LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2019): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Madagascar, Mauritius (Mascarenes), and Persian Gulf east to Philippines, north to southern Japan, south to Perth (Western Australia) and Queensland (Australia).

Family: Citharidae de Buen, 1935

Genus: *Laiopteryx* Weber, 1913

415. *Laiopteryx novaezeelandiae* (Günther, 1862)-Yellow-dabbled flounder

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf through the eastern Indian Ocean to the East Indies.

Family: Bothidae Smitt 1892

Genus: *Arnoglossus* Bleeker 1862

416. *Arnoglossus aspiros* (Bleeker 1851)-Spotless lefteye flounder

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Hensley & Amaoka (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2020): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf east to Philippines and New Guinea, north to Taiwan, south to Queensland (Australia).

417. *Arnoglossus macrolophus* Alcock 1889-Large-crested lefteye flounder

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Norman (1939) as *Arnoglossus tapeinosoma* (non Bleeker 1865); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea, Indo-West Pacific: Madagascar and Persian Gulf east to Philippines and New Guinea, north to southern Japan, south to northern Australia and New Caledonia.

Genus: *Bothus* Rafinesque 1810

418. *Bothus mancus* (Broussonet 1782)-Flowery flounder

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Hensley & Amaoka (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea, Indo-Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Seychelles, Comoros, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Clipperton Island and Mexico, north to Taiwan, Ryukyu Islands, Ogasawara Islands, and Hawaiian Islands, south to Lord Howe Island, northern New Zealand, Kermadec Islands, Rapa, and Ducie (Pitcairn Group).

419. *Bothus myriaster* (Temminck & Schlegel 1846)-Indo-Pacific oval flounder

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Seychelles, Madagascar, and Rodrigues (Mascarenes) east to Philippines, north to Korea and southern Japan, south to Lord Howe Island.

420. *Bothus pantherinus* (Rüppell 1830)-Leopard flounder

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Regan (1905) as *Rhomboidichthys pantherinus*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, Seychelles, Madagascar, Mascarenes, and Persian Gulf east to Hawaiian Islands, Marquesas Islands, and Society Islands, north to Kagoshima Prefecture (southern Japan) and Ogasawara Islands, south to New Caledonia, Lord Howe Island, and Norfolk Island.

Genus: *Crossorhombus* Regan 1920

421. *Crossorhombus azureus* (Alcock 1889)-Blue flounder

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: South Africa and Madagascar east to Gulf of Thailand and South China Sea, north to Korea, south to Western Australia.

Genus: *Engyprosopon* Günther 1862

422. *Engyprosopon grandisquama* (Temminck & Schlegel 1846)-Largescale flounder

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Hensley & Amaoka (2022); Oman: Regan (1905) as *Rhomboidichthys grandisquamis* and *R. poecilurus*, Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Persian Gulf, and Madagascar east to Philippines, north to central Japan, south to Western Australia, Queensland (Australia), and New Caledonia.

Genus: *Laeops* Günther 1880

423. *Laeops macrophthalmus* (Alcock 1889)

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Hensley & Amaoka (2022); Oman: Regan (1905); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northeastern Indian Ocean: east coast of India, east to Myanmar.

Family: *Paralichthyidae* Chabanaud 1937

Genus: *Cephalopsetta* Dutt & Rao 1965

424. *Cephalopsetta ventrocellata* Dutt & Rao, 1965

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Hensley & Amaoka (2022); Oman: Hensley & Amaoka (1989); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: ANSP (Oman).

IUCN (2019): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Northern Indian Ocean: Pakistan and India, east to Myanmar.

Genus: *Pseudorhombus* Bleeker 1862

425. *Pseudorhombus annulatus* Norman 1927-Ringed flounder

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Hensley & Amaoka (2022); Oman: Norman (1927); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2021): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Western Indian Ocean.

426. *Pseudorhombus arsius* (Hamilton 1822)-Largetooth flounder

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Pseudorhombus russellii*; UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944); Pakistan: Zugmayer (1912) as *Pseudorhombus russellii*, Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2021): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa,

Madagascar, and Persian Gulf east to Marshall Islands and Fiji, north to southern Sea of Japan, south to Rottnest Island (Western Australia) and New South Wales (Australia).

427. *Pseudorhombus elevatus* Ogilby 1912-Deep flounder

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2021): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Algoa Bay (South Africa), East Africa, and Persian Gulf east to Philippines and New Guinea, north to Taiwan, south to northern Australia.

428. *Pseudorhombus javanicus* (Bleeker 1853)-Java flounder

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2021): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf east to New Guinea, north to northern Vietnam and southern China.

429. *Pseudorhombus malayanus* Bleeker 1865-Malayan flounder

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Hensley & Amaoka (2022); Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944); Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2021): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf east to Philippines and eastern Indonesia, north to northern Vietnam.

430. *Pseudorhombus triocellatus* (Bloch & Schneider 1801)-Three spotted flounders

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Hensley & Amaoka (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2021): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northern Indian Ocean, western Pacific.

Family: Soleidae Bonaparte 1832

Genus: *Aesopia* Kaup 1858

431. *Aesopia cornuta* Kaup 1858-Unicorn sole

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -;

Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: South Africa, East Africa, Persian Gulf, Seychelles, and Madagascar east to Indonesia, north to southern Japan, south to northern Western Australia.

Genus: *Aseraggodes* Kaup 1858

432. *Aseraggodes cyaneus* (Alcock 1890)-Blue sole

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Desoutter-Meniger & Chapleau (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2019): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Madagascar and Gulf of Aden east to Philippines.

433. *Aseraggodes umbratilis* (Alcock 1894)

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Regan (1905) as *Solea umbratilis*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015) as *Aseraggodes cf. umbratilis*.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2020): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indian Ocean: India.

Genus: *Brachirus* Swainson 1839

434. *Brachirus orientalis* (Bloch & Schneider 1801)-Oriental sole

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Menon (1984a) as *Euryglossa orientalis*; Oman: Jawad (2014); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Madagascar and Persian Gulf east to Philippines, north to northern Vietnam and Taiwan, south to northern Australia.

Genus: *Dagetichthys* Stauch & Blanc 1964

435. *Dagetichthys albumaculatus* (Kaup 1856)-Whitespotted sole

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Desoutter-Meniger & Chapleau (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2012): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Gulf of Oman east to Indonesia.

Genus: *Pardachirus* Günther 1862

436. *Pardachirus balius* Randall & Mee 1994-Piebald sole

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Randall (1995); Oman: Randall & Mee (1994a); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: - .

Material: ROM (Oman).

IUCN (2019): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Arabian Sea and Somalia.

437. *Pardachirus marmoratus* (Lacepède 1802)-Finless sole

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Menon (1984a); Oman: Boulenger (1888); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Eastern Indian Ocean, western Pacific: Sri Lanka and Myanmar east to Tonga, north to Kochi Prefecture (Japan), south to Onslow (Western Australia) and New Caledonia.

Genus: *Solea* Quensel 1806

438. *Solea elongata* Day 1877- Elongate sole

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Menon (1984a); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northern Indian Ocean: Persian Gulf east to Sri Lanka and western Bay of Bengal, India.

Genus: *Synaptura* Stauch & Blanc 1964

439. *Dagetichthys commersonii* (Lacepède 1802)-Commerson's sole

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Menon (1984a) as *Synaptura commersoniana*; Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2021): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Seychelles, Mauritius (Mascarenes), and Persian Gulf east to Indonesia, north to Taiwan.

Genus: *Zebrias* Jordan & Snyder 1900

440. *Zebrias quagga* (Kaup 1858)-Fringefin zebra sole

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Menon (1984a); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: - .

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Madagascar, Gulf of Aden and Persian Gulf east to Philippines and Papua New Guinea, north to northern Vietnam and southern China, south to northern Australia.

Family: Cynoglossidae Jordan 1888

Genus: *Cynoglossus* Hamilton 1822

441. *Cynoglossus arel* (Bloch & Schneider 1801)-Largescale tonguesole

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Menon (1984b); Oman: Iwatsuki et al. (2013); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: MUFS (Oman), LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2019): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf east to Indonesia, north to southern Japan.

442. *Cynoglossus bilineatus* (Lacepède 1802)-Fourlined tonguesole

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Menon (1984b); Pakistan: Menon (1977).

Material: USNM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Madagascar, and Persian Gulf east to Philippines, north to southern Japan, south to northern Australia.

443. *Cynoglossus carpenteri* Alcock 1889-Hooked tonguesole

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Menon (1984b); Oman: Boulenger (1901); UAE: -; Iran: **Species anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on zoogeography**; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH, FMNH (Oman); USNM (Iran).

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northern Indian Ocean: Persian Gulf east to India and Myanmar.

444. *Cynoglossus cynoglossus* (Hamilton 1822)-Bengal tongue sole

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Pakistan east to Philippines, north to northern Vietnam.

445. *Cynoglossus dispar* Day 1877-Roundhead tonguesole

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Menon (1984b), Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: USNM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2019): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Northern Indian Ocean: India and Pakistan.

446. *Cynoglossus dubius* Day 1873-Carrot tonguesole

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Menon (1984b), Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2019): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Northern Indian Ocean: Pakistan.

447. *Cynoglossus lachneri* Menon 1977-Lachner's tonguesole

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Munroe (2022); Oman: Menon (1977); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: SAIAB (Oman).

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; western Indian Ocean: East Africa, Socotra (Yemen), Seychelles, Madagascar, and western Mascarenes east to Pakistan.

448. *Cynoglossus puncticeps* (Richardson 1846)-Speckled tonguesole

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Kousha et al. (2008) as *Cynoglossus persicus*; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Gulf of Aden and Persian Gulf east to Philippines and New Guinea, north to South China Sea, south to northwestern Australia.

449. *Cynoglossus quadrilineatus* (Bleeker 1851)-Fourlined tonguesole

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Persian Gulf, Seychelles, Madagascar,

and Mascarenes (Mauritius, Rodrigues) east to Philippines and New Ireland (Papua New Guinea), north to southern Japan, south to Geographe Bay (Western Australia), Bateman's Bay (New South Wales, Australia), and Lord Howe Island.

Genus: *Paraplagusia* Bleeker 1865

450. *Paraplagusia bilineata* (Bloch 1787)-Doublelined tonguesole

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Menon (1984b); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: USNM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2020): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Persian Gulf, Seychelles, Madagascar, and Mascarenes (Mauritius, Rodrigues) east to Philippines and New Ireland (Papua New Guinea), north to southern Japan, south to Geographe Bay (Western Australia), Bateman's Bay (New South Wales, Australia), and Lord Howe Island.

Genus: *Symphurus* Rafinesque 1810

451. *Symphurus trifasciatus* (Alcock 1894)-Threeband tonguefish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Munroe (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2020): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Northern Indian Ocean: Gulf of Oman east to India and Sri Lanka.

Family: *Menidae* Fitzinger 1873

Genus: *Mene* Lacepède, 1803

452. *Mene maculata* (Bloch & Schneider 1801)-Moonfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Heemstra (1984); Oman: Jawad et al. (2018); UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: South Africa, East Africa, Madagascar, western Mascarenes and Persian Gulf east to New Guinea and Melanesia, north to

southern Sea of Japan (Korea, Japan), south to Western Australia and New South Wales (Australia).

Family: Xiphiidae

Genus: *Xiphias* Linnaeus 1758

453. *Xiphias gladius* Linnaeus 1758- Swordfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Nakamura (1985), Collette & Graves (2019); Oman: Al-Mamry & Jawad (2019); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2021): Near Threatened (NT).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical and temperate seas (including Mediterranean Sea, Sea of Marmara, Red Sea, Sea of Japan, southern Gulf of California/Mexico).

Family: Istiophoridae Rafinesque 1810

Genus: *Istiompax* Whitley 1931

454. *Istiompax indica* (Cuvier 1832)-Black marlin

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Nakamura (1985) as *Makaira indica*, Collette & Graves (2019); Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Istiophorus brevirostris*; UAE: -; Iran: Parsa et al. (2018) as *Makaira indica*; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2021): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Tropical and temperate Indo-Pacific (including Persian Gulf, Sea of Japan, Gulf of California/Mexico), straying into eastern Atlantic and Mediterranean Sea.

Genus: *Istiophorus* Lacépède 1801

455. *Istiophorus platypterus* (Shaw 1792)-Indo-Pacific sailfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Nakamura (1985), Collette & Graves (2019); Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Istiophorus gladius*, Iwatsuki et al. (2013); UAE: -; Iran: Parsa et al. (2018); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2021): Vulnerable (VU).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical and warm temperate seas (including Gulf of Mexico, Caribbean Sea, Mediterranean Sea, Red Sea, Persian Gulf, Sea of Japan, Gulf of California/Mexico).

Genus: *Kajikia* Marshall & Palmer 1950

456. *Kajikia audax* (Philippi 1887)-Striped marlin

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Nakamura (1985) as *Tetrapturus audax*; Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2021): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Tropical and temperate Indo-Pacific (including Persian Gulf; southern and central Gulf of California/Mexico), straying into southeastern Atlantic.

Genus: *Makaira* Lacépède 1802

457. *Makaira mazara* (Jordan & Snyder 1901)-Indo-Pacific blue marlin

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Nakamura (1985); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Tropical and temperate Indo-Pacific [if valid].

458. *Makaira nigricans* Lacépède 1802- Blue marlin

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2021): Vulnerable (VU).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical through temperate seas (including Caribbean Sea).

Genus: *Tetrapturus* Rafinesque 1810

459. *Tetrapturus angustirostris* Tanaka, 1915- Shortbill spearfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2021): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Tropical and temperate Indo-Pacific, straying into southeastern Atlantic.

Family: Carangidae Rafinesque 1815

Genus: *Atropus* Oken 1817

460. *Atropus armatus* (Forsskål 1775)

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith-Vaniz (1922) as *Carangoides armatus*; Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944) as *Caranx armatus*; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2013): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East London (South Africa), East Africa, Seychelles, Madagascar, western Mascarenes, and Persian Gulf

east to northern Vietnam and southern China, north to southern Japan [if valid].

461. *Atropus atropos* (Bloch & Schneider 1801)-Cleftbelly trevally

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith-Vaniz (1922); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf and Gulf of Oman east to Philippines, north to southern Japan and Ogasawara Islands.

462. *Atropus hedlandensis* (Whitley 1934)-Bumpnose trevally

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith-Vaniz (1922) as *Carangoides hedlandensis*; Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Seychelles, Madagascar, and Réunion (Mascarenes) east to Philippines, Samoa, and Tonga, north to southern Sea of Japan and Kyoto Prefecture (central Japan), south to Shark Bay (Western Australia), Queensland (Australia), and New Caledonia.

463. *Atropus mentalis* (Cuvier 1833)

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith-Vaniz (1922); Oman: Boulenger (1892) as *Caranx lioglossus*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Persian Gulf, and Madagascar east to Philippines and New Ireland (Papua New Guinea), north to Taiwan, south to northern Australia.

Genus: *Alectis* Rafinesque 1815

464. *Alectis ciliaris* (Bloch 1787)-African pompano

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith-Vaniz (1922); Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Caranx gallus*, Boulenger (1889) as *Caranx ciliaris*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH, MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical, subtropical, and temperate seas (including Red Sea; Persian Gulf; Sea of Japan; southern Gulf of California/Mexico).

465. *Alectis indica* (Rüppell 1830)-Indian threadfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith-Vaniz (1984) as *Alectis indicus*; Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Seychelles, Madagascar, western Mascarenes, Socotra, and Persian Gulf east to Tuamotu Archipelago, north to southern Japan, south to Western Australia and New South Wales (Australia).

Genus: *Alepes* Swainson 1839

466. *Alepes djedaba* (Fabricius 1775)-Shrimp scad

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith-Vaniz (1922); Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Caranx djeddaba*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH, MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Socotra, Madagascar, and Persian Gulf east to Hawaiian Islands, north to southern Japan, south to northern Australia; eastern Mediterranean Sea and Sea of Marmara (Red Sea immigrant).

467. *Alepes kleinii* (Bloch 1793)-Razorbelly scad

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith-Vaniz (1922); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf and Pakistan east to Philippines and New Guinea, north to northern Vietnam, south to Kimberley (northern Australia) and Queensland (Australia).

468. *Alepes melanoptera* (Swainson 1839)-Blackfin scad

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith-Vaniz (1922); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa and Persian Gulf east to Hawaiian Islands (U.S.A.), north to southern Japan, south to northern Australia.

469. *Alepes vari* (Cuvier 1833)-Herring scad

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith-Vaniz (1922); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa and Persian Gulf east to Philippines and New Ireland (Papua New Guinea), north to Ryukyu Islands (Japan), south to Western Australia, Queensland (Australia), and Solomon Islands.

Genus: *Atule* Jordan & Jordan 1922

470. *Atule mate* (Cuvier 1833)-Yellowtail scad

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith-Vaniz (1922); Oman: Boulenger (1889) as *Caranx affinis*; UAE: **Species anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on zoogeography**; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman); NRM (UAE).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Persian Gulf, Madagascar, Réunion (Mascarenes), and Persian Gulf east to Hawaiian Islands, Samoa, and Tonga, north to southern Japan, south to Western Australia, New South Wales (Australia), and French Polynesia.

Genus: *Carangoides* Bleeker 1851

471. *Carangoides armatus* (Rüppell 1830)-Longfin trevally

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith-Vaniz (1984); Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Red Sea, Gulf of Oman, and along the African coast (to East London in South Africa, Ref. 3197) and the west coast of Madagascar to southern India and Sri Lanka. There are reliable reports from the Gulf of Thailand, Hong Kong, Okinawa, and Japan.

472. *Carangoides praeustus* (Anonymous [Bennett]

1830)-Brownback trevally

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith-Vaniz (1922); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC)

Distribution: Indian Ocean: East Africa, Persian Gulf, Socotra, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to India and Myanmar; Northern Territory (Australia) south to Shark Bay (Western Australia)

Distribution: Western Central Pacific: Indonesia and Philippines, north to northern Vietnam.

Genus: *Caranx* Lacépède 1801

473. *Caranx heberi* (Bennett 1830)-Blacktip trevally

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith-Vaniz (1984); Oman: Iwatsuki et al. (2013); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, Persian Gulf, Madagascar, and Réunion (Mascarenes) east to Fiji, north to Ryukyu Islands, south to northern Australia.

474. *Caranx ignobilis* (Forsskal 1775)-Giant trevally

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith-Vaniz (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Socotra, Persian Gulf, Seychelles, Comoros, Madagascar and Mascarenes east to Hawaiian Islands, Line Islands and Pitcairn Group, north to southern Korea and Kyoto Prefecture (central Japan), south to Rottnest Island (Western Australia), Wattamolla (New South Wales, Australia), New Caledonia, Tonga and Rapa; eastern Pacific at Clipperton Atoll.

475. *Caranx lugubris* Poey 1860-Black jack

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith-Vaniz (2022); Oman: Jawad (2012); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2012): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical through warm temperate seas (including southern Gulf of California/Mexico).

476. *Caranx melampygus* Cuvier 1833-Bluefin trevally

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith-Vaniz (1922); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, Persian Gulf, Seychelles, Comoros, Madagascar and Mascarenes east to Hawaiian Islands (U.S.A.), north to Izu Islands and Ogasawara Islands (Japan)s, south to Dampier Archipelago (Western Australia), New South Wales (Australia), Norfolk Island and Rapa; eastern Pacific: Pacific coast of southern Baja California Sur (Mexico) south to Colombia, including southern Gulf of California (Mexico), Clipperton Island (France) and Galapagos Islands (Ecuador).

477. *Caranx sexfasciatus* Quoy & Gaimard 1825-Bigeye trevally

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith-Vaniz (1922); Oman: Iwatsuki et al. (2013); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: MUFS (Oman), CAS (Pakistan).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, Persian Gulf, Seychelles, Comoros, Madagascar and Mascarenes east to Hawaiian Islands (U.S.A.), north to Izu Islands and Ogasawara Islands (Japan), south to Dampier Archipelago (Western Australia), New South Wales (Australia), Norfolk Island and Rapa; eastern Pacific: Pacific coast of southern Baja California Sur (Mexico) south to Colombia, including southern Gulf of California (Mexico), Clipperton Island (France) and Galapagos Islands (Ecuador).

478. *Caranx tille* Cuvier 1833-Tille trevally

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith-Vaniz (1922); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa and Madagascar east to Mariana Islands and Fiji, north to Ryukyu Islands, south to northern Australia and New Caledonia.

Genus: *Craterognathus* Kimura, Takeuchi & Yadome 2022

479. *Craterognathus plagiotaenia* (Bleeker 1857)-Barcheek trevally

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith-Vaniz (1922) as *Carangoides plagiotaenia*; Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea, Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Madagascar, and Mauritius (Mascarenes) east to Marshall Islands, Tonga, and Samoa, north to Ryukyu Islands (southern Japan), and south to Western Australia and Queensland (Australia).

Genus: *Decapterus* Bleeker 1851

480. *Decapterus macarellus* (Cuvier 1833)-Mackerel scad

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith-Vaniz (1922); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2012): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical and subtropical seas (including Caribbean Sea; Red Sea; Persian Gulf; Sea of Japan; southern Gulf of California/Mexico).

481. *Decapterus macrosoma* Bleeker 1851-Shortfin scad

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith-Vaniz (1922); Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-Pacific: East Africa, Persian Gulf and Madagascar east to Hawaiian Islands (U.S.A.), northern Line Islands (Kiribati) and Gambier Islands (French Polynesia), north to southern Sea of Japan (Korea, Japan), south to Port Hedland (Western Australia), New South Wales (Australia), New Caledonia and Tonga; eastern Pacific: Pacific coast of southern Baja California Sur (Mexico) south to Peru, including Gulf of California (Mexico) and Galapagos Islands (Ecuador).

482. *Decapterus muroadsi* (Temminck & Schlegel 1844)-Amberstripe scad

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith-Vaniz (1922); Oman: Jawad & Al-Mamry (2018); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Southern central Atlantic: Saint Helena; eastern Indian Ocean and Pacific: Myanmar; western Victoria (Australia) west to Onslow (Western Australia); New South Wales (Australia) east to Easter Island, Sala-y-Gomez Ridge and Nazca Ridge, south to Lord Howe and Kermadec Islands; Guam; southern Korea and Japan; Hawaiian Islands (U.S.A.); central California (U.S.A.) south to Peru, including Galapagos Islands (Ecuador).

483. *Decapterus russelli* (Rüppell 1830)-Indian scad
Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith-Vaniz (1922); Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Caranx russelli*; UAE: **Species Anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on Zoogeography;** Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944) as *Decapterus russelli*; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH, MUFS (Oman), NRM (UAE), ANSP (Iran), LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Socotra, and Persian Gulf east to Philippines and Fiji, north to southern Japan, south to Ningaloo Reef (Western Australia) and New South Wales (Australia) at 29°23'S, and New Caledonia; Mediterranean Sea (Red Sea immigrant).

Genus: *Elagatis* Bennett 1840

484. *Elagatis bipinnulata* (Quoy & Gaimard 1825)-Rainbow runner

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith-Vaniz (1922); Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Seriolichthys bipinnulatus*; UAE: -; Iran: Parsa et al. (2018); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2012): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical and warm temperate seas (including Gulf of Mexico; Caribbean Sea; Red Sea; Persian Gulf; Sea of Japan; southern Gulf of California/Mexico). IUCN (2015): Least concern.

Genus: *Ferdauia* Bleeker 1851

485. *Ferdauia ferdau* (Fabricius 1775)-Blue trevally

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith-Vaniz (1922) as *Carangoides ferdau*; Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Caranx ferdau*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015) as *Carangoides ferdau*.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, Persian Gulf, Seychelles, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Hawaiian Islands, Line Islands, and Pitcairn Group, north to Kyoto Prefecture (central Japan), south to Western Australia, New Caledonia, Norfolk Island, and Rapa.

Genus: *Flavocaranx* Kimura, Takeuchi & Yadome 2022

486. *Flavocaranx bajad* (Fabricius 1775)-Orangespotted trevally

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith-Vaniz (1922) as *Carangoides bajad*; Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Caranx auroguttatus*, Randall (1995) as *Carangoides bajad*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015) as *Carangoides bajad*.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Red Sea, Gulf of Aden, Persian Gulf, and the Gulf of Oman to Indonesia, the Gulf of Thailand, the Philippines, and Okinawa, Japan.

Genus: *Gnathanodon* Bleeker 1850

487. *Gnathanodon speciosus* (Forsskal 1775)-Golden trevally

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith-Vaniz (1922); Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Caranx speciosus*; UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944) as *Caranx speciosus*; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH, MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, Seychelles, Comoros, Madagascar, western Mascarenes and Persian Gulf

east to Hawaiian Islands (U.S.A.), north to Kuril Islands, south to New South Wales (Australia), Tonga and Austral Islands; eastern Pacific: Pacific coast of southern Baja California Sur (Mexico) south to Colombia, including southern Gulf of California (Mexico).

Genus: *Kaiwarinus* Suzuki 1962

488. *Kaiwarinus equula* (Temminck & Schlegel 1844)-Whitfin trevally

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith-Vaniz (1999) as *Carangoides equula*; Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan:

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-Pacific: Gulf of Oman, East Africa, southern Japan, Hawaii, the Arafura Sea, Australia, New Zealand, and Easter Island. Southeast Atlantic: southeast coast of South Africa. Also reported from the northern Red Sea.

Genus: *Megalaspis* Bleeker 1851

489. *Megalaspis cordyla* (Linnaeus 1758)-Torpedo scad

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith-Vaniz (1922); Oman: Boulenger (1892) as *Caranx rottleri*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman); LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa and Persian Gulf east to Marshall Islands and Samoa, north to southern Korea and southern Japan, south to Western Australia, New South Wales (Australia), New Caledonia, and Tonga.

Genus: *Naucrates* Rafinesque 1810

490. *Naucrates ductor* (Linnaeus 1758)-Pilotfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith-Vaniz (1922); Oman: Boulenger (1889); UAE: -; Iran: Parsa et al. (2018); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2013): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical and warm temperate seas (including Mediterranean Sea; Sea of Marmara; Black Sea; Red Sea; Persian Gulf; Sea of

Japan; Gulf of California/Mexico).

Genus: *Parastromateus* Bleeker 1864

491. *Parastromateus niger* (Bloch 1795)-Black pomfret

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith-Vaniz (1922); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944) as *Stromateus niger*; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Seychelles, Madagascar, western Mascarenes, Socotra, and Persian Gulf east to Philippines, north to southern Sea of Japan and Ogasawara Islands, south to Queensland (Australia) and Fiji.

Genus: *Platycaranx* Kimura, Takeuchi & Yadome 2022

492. *Platycaranx chrysophrys* (Cuvier 1833)-Longnose trevally

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith-Vaniz (1922) as *Carangoides chrysophrys*; Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Caranx chrysophrys* and *C. jayakari*; UAE: -; Iran: Hashemipour et al. (2019) as *Carangoides chrysophrys*; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015) as *Carangoides chrysophrys*.

Material: BMNH (Oman); ANSP (Iran); LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Socotra, Persian Gulf, Seychelles, Madagascar, and western Mascarenes east to Philippines and Fiji, north to southern Sea of Japan, south to Exmouth Gulf (Western Australia) and New Caledonia.

493. *Platycaranx malabaricus* (Bloch & Schneider 1801)-Malabar trevally

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith-Vaniz (1922) as *Carangoides malabaricus*; Oman: Boulenger (1889) as *Caranx malabaricus*; UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944) as *Caranx malabaricus*; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015) as *Carangoides malabaricus*.

Material: ANSP, BMNH (Oman); ANSP (Iran);

LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Madagascar, and Persian Gulf east to Philippines and New Guinea, north to Japan and Kuril Islands, south to Exmouth Gulf (Western Australia) and New South Wales (Australia).

494. *Platycaranx talamparoides* (Bleeker 1852)-Imposter trevally

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith-Vaniz (1922) as *Carangoides talamparoides*; Oman: Randall (1995) as *Carangoides talamparoides*; UAE: -; Iran: **Species Anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on Zoogeography**; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015) as *Carangoides talamparoides*.

Material: ANSP (Iran).

IUCN (2021): Least Concern (LC)

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: Gulf of Aden east to Guam (Mariana Islands, U.S.A.) and New Guinea, north to southern Japan.

Genus: *Scomberoides* Lacepède 1801

495. *Scomberoides commersonianus* Lacepède 1801-Talang queenfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith-Vaniz (1922); Oman: **Species Anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on Zoogeography**; UAE: -; Iran: Paighambari et al. (2018); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman); LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Socotra, Madagascar, western Mascarenes and Persian Gulf, India, east to Philippines and New Ireland (Papua New Guinea), north to southern Sea of Japan (Korea, Japan), south to Western Australia, Sydney (New South Wales) and New Caledonia.

496. *Scomberoides lysan* (Fabricius 1775)-Doublespotted queenfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith-Vaniz (1922); Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Chorinemus lysan* and *C. moadetta*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, Seychelles, Comoros, Madagascar, Réunion (western Mascarenes), and Persian Gulf east to Hawaiian Islands, north to Ryukyu Islands, south to Western Australia, New South Wales (Australia), Tonga, and Rapa.

497. *Scomberoides tala* (Cuvier 1832)-Barred queenfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa east to Philippines, north to China, south to northern Australia.

498. *Scomberoides tol* (Cuvier 1832)-Needlescaled queenfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith-Vaniz (1984); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Socotra, and Persian Gulf east to Philippines and Marquesas Islands, north to southern Korea and southern Sea of Japan (Korea, Japan), south to Exmouth Gulf (Western Australia), Queensland (Australia), New Caledonia, and Tonga.

Genus: *Selar* Bleeker, 1851

499. *Selar crumenophthalmus* (Bloch 1793)-Bigeye scad

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith-Vaniz (1922); Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Caranx crumenophthalmus*; UAE: **Species Anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on Zoogeography**; Iran: Parsa et al. (2018); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH, MUFS, NRM (Oman), NRM (UAE), ANSP (Iran).

IUCN (2013): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical and warm temperate seas (including Caribbean Sea; Red Sea; Persian Gulf; Sea of Japan; Gulf of California/Mexico).

Genus: *Selaroides* Bleeker 1851

500. *Selaroides leptolepis* (Cuvier, 1833)-Yellowstripe scad

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith-Vaniz (1922); Oman: Boulenger (1889) as *Caranx leptolepis*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH, MUFS (Oman), NRM (UAE).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf east to Philippines and New Ireland (Papua New Guinea), north to southern Japan, south to Rottnest Island (Western Australia) and Brisbane (Queensland, Australia).

Genus: *Seriola* Cuvier 1816

501. *Seriola dumerili* (Risso 1810)-Greater amberjack
Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith-Vaniz (1922); Oman: Boulenger (1889); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2013): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical and warm temperate seas (including Mediterranean Sea, Sea of Marmara, Red Sea, Persian Gulf, Sea of Japan), except not in eastern Pacific.

502. *Seriola rivoliana* Valenciennes 1833-Longfin yellowtail

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith-Vaniz (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2012): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical through warm temperate seas (including Caribbean Sea; Mediterranean Sea; Sea of Japan; Gulf of California/Mexico).

Genus: *Seriolina* Wakiya 1924

503. *Seriolina nigrofasciata* (Rüppell 1829)-Blackbanded trevally

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith-Vaniz (1922); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Southeastern Atlantic: South Africa; Red Sea, Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Seychelles, Comoros, Madagascar, western

Mascarenes and Persian Gulf east to Philippines, north to East China Sea (China, Korea, Japan) and southern Sea of Japan (Korea, Japan), south to Kimberley (Western Australia) and Queensland (Australia).

Genus: *Scyris* Cuvier 1829

504. *Scyris indica* (Rüppell 1830)-Indian threadfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith-Vaniz (1922) as *Alectis indica*; Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Seychelles, Madagascar, western Mascarenes, Socotra, and Persian Gulf east to Tuamotu Archipelago, north to southern Japan, south to Western Australia and New South Wales (Australia).

Genus: *Trachinotus* Lacepède 1801

505. *Trachinotus africanus* Smith 1967-Southern pompano

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith-Vaniz (2022); Oman: Iwatsuki et al. (2003); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indian Ocean: South Africa, East Africa, and Socotra east to Bali (Indonesia).

506. *Trachinotus bailloni* (Lacepède 1801)-Small spotted dart

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith-Vaniz and Walsh (2019) and Smith-Vaniz (1922); Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Trachynotus bailloni* and *T. oblongus*, Smith-Vaniz & Walsh (2019); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: ANSP, BPBM, MUFS (Oman), ANSP (Pakistan).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Socotra, Seychelles, Comoros, Madagascar, Mascarenes, and Persian Gulf east to northern Line Islands and Gambier Islands, north to southern Korea

and Miyagi Prefecture (northern Japan), south to Western Australia, New South Wales (Australia), Lord Howe Island, Tonga, and Rapa.

507. *Trachinotus blochii* (Lacepede 1801)-Snubnose pompano

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith-Vaniz (1922); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Socotra, Seychelles, Madagascar, Mascarenes, and Persian Gulf east to Marshall Islands, Samoa, and Tonga, north to Kagoshima Prefecture (southern Japan), south to Western Australia and New Caledonia.

508. *Trachinotus bolta* (Shaw 1803)-Largespotted dart

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith-Vaniz and Walsh (2019) and Smith-Vaniz (1922); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: ANSP (Pakistan).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indian Ocean: South Africa, East Africa, Madagascar, and Socotra, east to east coast of India, Myanmar, and Western Australia.

509. *Trachinotus mookalee* Cuvier 1832-Indian pompano

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith-Vaniz (1922); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf and Gulf of Oman east to eastern China (East China Sea), north to southern Japan.

Genus: *Trachurus* Rafinesque 1810

510. *Trachurus indicus* Nekrasov 1966-Arabian scad

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith-Vaniz (1922); Oman: Boulenger (1889) as *Caranx trachurus* (non Linnaeus 1758); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH, CAS (Oman).

IUCN (2017): Vulnerable (VU).

Distribution: Red Sea; western Indian Ocean: Somalia and Persian Gulf east to Pakistan, south to Saya de Malha Bank; Mediterranean Sea (Red Sea immigrant).

Genus: *Turrum* Whitley 1932

511. *Turrum coeruleopinnatum* (Rüppell 1830)-Coastal trevally

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith-Vaniz (1922) as *Carangoides caeruleopinnatus*; Oman: Jawad & Al-Mamry (2012b); UAE: -; Iran: **Species Anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on Zoogeography**; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: ANSP (Iran), LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Persian Gulf, Seychelles, Madagascar, and Réunion (Mascarenes) east to Samoa and Tonga, north to Nagasaki Prefecture (southern Japan), south to northern Australia.

512. *Turrum fulvoguttatum* (Forsskal 1775)-Yellowspotted trevally

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith-Vaniz (1922), as *Carangoides fulvoguttus*; Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Caranx fulvoguttatus*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Persian Gulf, Seychelles, Madagascar, Mascarenes, and Socotra east to Palau, New Ireland (Papua New Guinea), and Vanuatu, north to Ryukyu Islands, south to Rottne Island (Western Australia), northern New South Wales (Australia), and New Zealand.

513. *Turrum gymnostethus* (Cuvier 1833)-Bludger

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith-Vaniz (1922) as *Carangoides gymnostethus*; Oman: Iwatsuki et al. (2013); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, Persian Gulf, Seychelles, Madagascar, and western Mascarenes east to Marshall Islands and Tuamotu Archipelago, north to Ryukyu

Islands, south to Western Australia, Queensland (Australia), New Caledonia, and Tonga.

Genus: *Ulua* Jordan & Snyder 1900)

514. *Ulua mentalis* (Cuvier 1833)-*Ulua mentalis*

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith-Vaniz (1922); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Persian Gulf, and Madagascar east to Philippines and New Ireland (Papua New Guinea), north to Taiwan, south to northern Australia.

Genus: *Uraspis* Bleeker 1855

515. *Uraspis helvola* (Forster 1801)-Whitetongue jack

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith-Vaniz (1922); Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Caranx helvolus*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: ANSP, BMNH, CAS, MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Nearly circumglobal in tropical and subtropical seas (including Red Sea; Persian Gulf; Sea of Japan).

516. *Uraspis uraspis* (Günther 1860)-Whitemouth jack

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith-Vaniz (1922); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Réunion (western Mascarenes), and Persian Gulf east to Hawaiian Islands, north to Ryukyu Islands (Japan) and southern Korea, south to northern Australia

Family: *Echeneidae* Rafinesque 1810

Genus: *Echeneis* Linnaeus 1758

517. *Echeneis naucrates* Linnaeus 1758-Live sharksucker

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1889); UAE: -; Iran: Parsa et al. (2018); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman); USNM (Iran).

IUCN (2012): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical and subtropical

seas (including Gulf of Mexico, Caribbean Sea, Mediterranean Sea, Sea of Marmara, Black Sea, Red Sea, Persian Gulf, South China Sea, Sea of Japan, Gulf of California/Mexico).

Genus: *Remora* Gill 1862

518. *Remora albescent* (Temminck & Schlegel 1850)-White suckerfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1889) as *Echeneis clypeata*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2010): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical and subtropical seas (including Red Sea; Sea of Japan; central and southern Gulf of California/Mexico).

519. *Remora australis* (Bennett 1840)-Whalesucker

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2012): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical and warm temperate seas (including Mediterranean Sea, Gulf of California).

520. *Remora remora* (Linnaeus 1758)-Shark sucker

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2012): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical and warm temperate seas (including Mediterranean Sea, Gulf of California).

Family: *Rachycentridae* Gill 1896

Genus: *Rachycentron* Kaup 1826

521. *Rachycentron canadum* (Linnaeus 1766)-Cobia

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Shaffer & Nakamura (1989); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944) as *Rhachycentrum canadus*; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman); LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2012): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical and subtropical seas, but not in eastern Pacific (including Gulf of Mexico, Caribbean Sea, Mediterranean Sea, Red Sea, Persian Gulf, Sea of Japan). Now invasive in eastern Pacific from Panama south to Ecuador.

Family: *Coryphaenidae* Rafinesque 1810

Genus: *Coryphaena* Linnaeus 1758

522. *Coryphaena equiselis* Linnaeus 1758- Pompano dolphinfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Norman (1939) as *Coryphaena equisetis*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2010): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical and subtropical seas (including Mediterranean Sea; Red Sea; southwestern Gulf of California/Mexico).

523. *Coryphaena hippurus* Linnaeus 1758- Common dolphinfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: **Species anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on zoogeography**; UAE: -; Iran: Parsa et al. (2018); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2010): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical and warm temperate seas (including Caribbean Sea; Mediterranean Sea; Sea of Marmara; Red Sea; Persian Gulf; Sea of Japan; Gulf of California/Mexico).

Order: *Atheriniformes*

Family: *Atherinidae* Risso 1827

Genus: *Atherinomorus* Fowler 1903

524. *Atherinomorus lacunosus* (Forster 1801)-Wide-banded hardyhead silverside

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: **Species anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on zoogeography**; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: NRM (UAE).

IUCN (2020): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Persian Gulf, Socotra, Seychelles, Madagascar and Mascarenes east to Hawaiian Islands and Tuamotu Archipelago, north to southern Japan and Ogasawara Islands, south to Western Australia, New South Wales (Australia) and Rapa; Mediterranean Sea (Red Sea immigrant).

Family: *Isonidae* Rosen 1964

Genus: *Iso* Jordan & Starks 1901

525. *Iso natalensis* Regan 1919- Surf sprite

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: **Species anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on zoogeography**.

Material: USNM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Indian Ocean: East Africa to India, Andaman Islands.

Order: *Beloniformes*

Family: *Belonidae* Bonaparte 1832

Genus: *Ablennes* Jordan & Fordice 1887

526. *Ablennes hians* (Valenciennes 1846)-Flat needlefish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1889) as *Belone melanostigma*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: ZMMU (Oman).

IUCN (2012): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical and warm temperate seas (including Red Sea, Persian Gulf, South China Sea, Sea of Japan); eastern and central Mediterranean Sea (Red Sea immigrant).

Genus: *Platybelone* Fowler 1919

527. *Platybelone argalus* (Lesueur 1821)-Keeltail needlefish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical seas. 5-7 subspecies recognized by some authors.

Genus: *Strongylura* van Hasselt 1824

528. *Strongylura leiura* (Bleeker 1850)-Banded needlefish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Seychelles, Comoro Islands, Madagascar, western Mascarenes and Persian Gulf east to Hawaiian

Islands, Easter Island and Sala-y-Gomez Ridge, north to central Japan and Ogasawara Islands, south to Kimberley (Western Australia), Lord Howe Island, New Caledonia, Kermadec Islands and Rapa.

529. *Strongylura strongylura* (van Hasselt 1823)-Spottail needlefish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Parin (1967); Pakistan: Parin (1967).

Material: ZMMU (Iran), ZMMU (Pakistan).

IUCN (2015): Least concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf eastward along the coasts of Pakistan, India, and Sri Lanka, then extending to southern China, the Philippines, and northern Australia. A record from Zanzibar (Tanzania) needs confirmation.

Genus: *Tylosurus* Cocco 1833

530. *Tylosurus melanotus* (Bleeker 1850)-Agujon needlefish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1889) as *Belone appendiculatus*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015) as *Tylosurus acus* (non Lacepède 1803).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2012): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical seas, except eastern Pacific. Some authors recognize 4 subspecies; *acus acus* occurs in the western Atlantic.

531. *Tylosurus crocodilus* (Péron & Lesueur 1821)-Hound needlefish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Al-Mamry & Jawad (2018b); UAE: -; Iran: Assadi & Dehghani (1997); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2012): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical and warm temperate seas (including Gulf of California/Mexico, Red Sea, Persian Gulf, Sea of Japan), but not in eastern Pacific.

532. *Tylosurus choram* (Rüppell 1837)-Red Sea houndfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Belone choram*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH, ZMMU (Oman).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Western Indian Ocean: Red Sea to Gulf of Oman, including the eastern Mediterranean via the Suez Canal.

Family: Hemiramphidae Gill 1859

Genus: *Hemiramphus* Cuvier, 1816

533. *Hemiramphus far* (Fabricius 1775)-Black-barred halfbeak

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Hemirhamphus commersonii*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Seychelles, to Madagascar and Mascarenes east to Philippines, Samoa, and Tonga, north to southern Korea and southern Japan, south to Western Australia and New South Wales (Australia); Mediterranean Sea (Red Sea immigrant)

Genus: *Hyporhamphus* Gill 1859

534. *Hyporhamphus limbatus* (Valenciennes 1847)-Congaturi halfbeak

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2011): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf east to Vietnam and southern China.

535. *Hyporhamphus sindensis* (Regan 1905)-Sind halfbeak

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Parin et al. (1980).

Material: USNM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2013): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Socotra and Persian Gulf east to Pakistan.

536. *Hyporhamphus unicuspis* Collette & Parin 1978

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: Oman (MUFS).

IUCN (2013): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Northern Indian Ocean: Persian Gulf east to Andaman Sea coast of Thailand.

Genus: *Rhynchorhamphus* Fowler 1928

537. *Rhynchorhamphus georgii* (Valenciennes 1847)
Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Jawad et al. (2011c); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.
IUCN (2012): Least Concern (LC).
Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf and Arabian Sea east to Philippines and New Guinea, north to Taiwan, south to northern Australia.

Family: Exocoetidae Risso 1827
Genus: *Cheilopogon* Lowe 1841

538. *Cheilopogon abei* Parin 1996-Abe's flyingfish
Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).
IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).
Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Socotra, Seychelles, and Madagascar east to Mariana and Solomon Islands, south to Papua New Guinea

539. *Cheilopogon furcatus* (Mitchill 1815)-Spotfin flyingfish
Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Parin & Belyanina (1998).
IUCN (2013): Least Concern (LC).
Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical and subtropical seas (including Mediterranean Sea).

540. *Cheilopogon suttoni* (Whitley & Colefax 1938)-Sutton's flyingfish
Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).
IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).
Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Gulf of Aden east to Hawaiian Islands, Line Islands and Marquesas Islands, north to Ryukyu Islands, south to Shark Bay (Western Australia) and New Caledonia.

Genus: *Cypselurus* Swainson 1838

541. *Cypselurus angusticeps* Nichols & Breder 1935-Darkbar flyingfish
Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Shakhovskoy & Collette (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.
IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).
Distribution: Indo-Pacific: East Africa east to Hawaiian Islands, north to southern Japan, south to Western Australia, New Caledonia, and Austral Islands; separate population at Socorro Island and

Revillagigedo Archipelago (Mexico).

542. *Cypselurus hexazona* (Bleeker 1853)-Darkbar flyingfish
Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Shakhovskoy & Collette (2022); Oman: Parin & Bogorodsky (2011); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.
IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).
Distribution: Red Sea, Indo-West Pacific: East Africa east to Micronesia, north to southern Japan, south to southeastern Australia.

543. *Cypselurus persicus* Shakhovskoy & Parin 2022
Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Exocoetus oligolepis* (non Bleeker 1865), Shakhovskoy & Collette (2022) as *Cypselurus oligolepis persicus*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.
IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).
Distribution: Indian Ocean: Persian Gulf [this subspecies].

Genus: *Exocoetus* Linnaeus 1783

544. *Exocoetus monocirrhus* Richardson 1846-Barbel flyingfish
Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Shakhovskoy & Collette (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Parin (1984), Shakhovskoy (2011); Pakistan: Parin (1984), Shakhovskoy (2011).
IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).
Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Seychelles, Madagascar and western Mascarenes east to Hawaiian and Marquesas islands, south to Western Australia, Queensland (Australia), New Caledonia, and Tonga.

545. *Exocoetus volitans* Linnaeus 1758- Tropical two-wing flyingfish
Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Shakhovskoy & Collette (2022); Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Exocoetus evolans*, Shakhovskoy (2018); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).
Material: BMNH, ZMMU (Oman).
IUCN (2013): Least Concern (LC).
Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical through temperate seas (including Caribbean Sea, Mediterranean Sea).

Genus: *Hirundichthys* Breder 1928

546. *Hirundichthys coromandelensis* (Hornell, 1923)-
Coromandel flyingfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Shakhovskoy (2018) as *Hirundichthys oxycephalus coromandelensis*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Northern Indian Ocean.

547. *Hirundichthys indicus* Shakhovskoy & Parin 2013

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Shakhovskoy & Collette (2022) as *H. indicus indicus*; Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015) as *H. indicus indicus*.)

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Western and central Indian Ocean.

548. *Hirundichthys speculiger* (Valenciennes 1847)-
Mirrorwing flyingfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Shakhovskoy & Collette (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2013): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical through warm temperate seas (including Caribbean Sea).

Genus: *Parexocoetus* Bleeker 1865

549. *Parexocoetus mento* (Valenciennes 1847)-
African sailfin flyingfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944); Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2013): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Seychelles, Madagascar and western Mascarenes east to Hawaiian and Marquesas islands, south to Western Australia, Queensland (Australia), New Caledonia and Tonga.

Cyprinodontiformes

Family: Poeciliidae Bonaparte 1831

Genus: *Poecilia* Bloch & Schneider 1801

550. *Poecilia latipinna* (Lesueur, 1821)-Sailfin molly

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: **Species anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on zoogeography**; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: ANSP (Oman).

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: North America: southeastern U.S.A. south to Tuxpan (Veracruz, Mexico); introduced widely elsewhere.

Order: Mugiliformes

Family: Ambassidae Klunzinger 1870

Genus: *Ambassis* Cuvier 1828-Bald glassy

551. *Ambassis gymnocephalus* (Lacepède 1802)

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: Koochaknejad et al. (2020); Pakistan: -.

Material: MCZ (Oman).

IUCN (2020): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa and South Africa east to Philippines and New Guinea, north to Taiwan, south to Cairns (Queensland, Australia).

Family: Mugilidae Jarocki 1822

Genus: *Chelon* Artedi 1793

552. *Chelon carinatus* (Valenciennes 1836)-Keeled mullet

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Thomson & Luther (1984) as *Liza carinata*; Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2014): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Red Sea; western Indian Ocean: East Africa, Seychelles, Madagascar, and Persian Gulf east to India; immigrated into eastern Mediterranean Sea through Suez Canal (Red Sea immigrant).

553. *Chelon parsia* (Hamilton 1822)-Goldspot mullet

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Northern Indian Ocean: Pakistan and India to Myanmar and Andaman Sea.

Genus: *Crenimugil* Schultz 1946

554. *Crenimugil buchanani* (Bleeker 1853)-Bluetail mullet

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Mugil ceylonensis*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa and Persian Gulf east to Melanesia and Micronesia; shallow coastal waters and estuaries, and entering creeks and rivers.

555. *Crenimugil crenilabis* (Forsskal 1775) -Fringelip mullet

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Ghasemzadeh (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Comoros, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Marshall, Marquesas, and Gambier islands, possibly east to Hawaiian Islands, north to Korea and Ibaraki Prefecture (Japan), south to Lord Howe Island and Rapa.

556. *Crenimugil seheli* (Fabricius 1775)-Bluespot mullet

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Thomson & Luther (1984) as *Valamugil seheli*; Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Mugil seheli*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015) as *Moolgarda seheli*.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2020): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Socotra, Seychelles, Madagascar, Mascarenes, and Persian Gulf east to Hawaiian and Marquesas islands, north to southern Korea and Ibaraki Prefecture (Japan), south to Western Australia and Norfolk Island. Freshwater, transitional water, and marine.

Genus: *Ellochelon* Whitley 1930

557. *Ellochelon vaigiensis* (Quoy & Gaimard 1825)-Squaretail mullet

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Thomson & Luther (1984) as *Liza vaigiensis*; Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Alavi-Yeganeh et al. (2023); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2016): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Socotra, Madagascar, Réunion (western Mascarenes), and Persian Gulf east to Marshall, Gambier, and Marquesas islands, north to southern Japan, south to Western Australia, New South Wales (Australia),

New Caledonia, Society Islands, and Rapa.

Genus: *Moolgarda* Whitley 1945

558. *Moolgarda pederaki* (Valenciennes 1836)-Longfin mullet

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Jawad & Al-Mamry (2012c); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: South Africa, Oman, and Persian Gulf east to Indonesia, north to southern Japan.

559. *Moolgarda seheli* (Fabricius, 1775)-Bluespot mullet

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: Firouzi et al. (2020); Pakistan: -;

IUCN (2025): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea, Indo-Pacific.

Genus: *Mugil* Linnaeus 1785

560. *Mugil cephalus* Linnaeus 1758-Flathead grey mullet

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Thomson & Luther (1984); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Zugmayer (1913) as *Mugil oeur*, Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Nearly circumglobal in temperate and tropical seas and estuaries (including Gulf of Mexico, Mediterranean Sea, Sea of Marmara, Black Sea, Red Sea, Persian Gulf, Sea of Japan); introduced elsewhere.

Genus: *Osteomugil* Luther 1982

561. *Osteomugil cunnesius* (Valenciennes 1836)-Longarm mullet

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Thomson & Luther (1984) as *Valamugil cunnesius*.

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Madagascar, Réunion (western Mascarenes), and Persian Gulf east to New Guinea and Vanuatu, north to Taiwan, south to northern Australia and New Caledonia.

562. *Osteomugil speigleri* (Bleeker 1858)-Speigler's

mullet

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Zugmayer (1913) as *Mugil speigleri*, Psomadakis et al. (2015) as *Moolgarda speigleri*.

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf and Pakistan east to New Guinea, north to Philippines.

563. *Osteomugil perusii* (Valenciennes 1836)-Longfinned mullet

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: **Species anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on zoogeography**; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015) as *Moolgarda perusii*.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa and Madagascar east to Mariana Islands and New Ireland (Papua New Guinea), north to southern Japan, south to Solomon Islands.

Genus: *Planiliza* Whitley 1945

564. *Planiliza klunzingeri* (Day 1888)-Klunzinger's mullet

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Firouzi et al. (2020); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015) as *Chelon klunzingeri*.

IUCN (2014): Vulnerable (VU).

Distribution: Western Indian Ocean: Persian Gulf east to Mumbai (India).

565. *Planiliza macrolepis* (Smith 1846)-Largescale mullet

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Thomson & Luther (1984) as *Liza macrolepis*; Oman: Randall (1995) as *Chelon macrolepis*; UAE: -; Iran: Firouzi et al. (2020); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015) as *Chelon macrolepis*.

IUCN (2011): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Socotra, Seychelles, Madagascar, Rodrigues (Mascarenes) and Persian Gulf east to Tuamotu Archipelago and Marquesas Islands, north to southern Korea, south to New Caledonia, Aitutaki (Cook Islands) and Austral Islands; also adjacent estuaries and fresh water

habitats of Africa, Asia, Australia and Oceania. Freshwater, transitional water, and marine.

566. *Planiliza melinoptera* (Valenciennes 1836)-Otomebora mullet

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Thomson & Luther (1984) as *Liza melinoptera*; Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2016): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, and Madagascar east to western Pacific.

567. *Planiliza subviridis* (Valenciennes 1836)-Greenback mullet

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Thomson & Luther (1984); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015) as *Liza subviridis*.

IUCN (2022): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Socotra and Persian Gulf east to Philippines, Tonga and Samoa, north to southern Japan, south to Shark Bay (Western Australia), New South Wales (Australia) and New Caledonia.

568. *Planiliza tade* (Fabricius 1775)

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Thomson & Luther (1984) as *Liza tade*; Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015) as *Chelon tade*.

IUCN (2009): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Red Sea, Indo-West Pacific: Somalia east to Mariana Islands and New Caledonia

Genus: *Plicomugil* Schultz 1953

569. *Plicomugil labiosus* (Valenciennes 1836)-Hornlip mullet

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Ghasamzadeh (2022); Oman: Randall (1995) as *Oedalechilus labiosus*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH, MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa and Socotra east to Marshall Islands, north to southern Korea and Ibaraki Prefecture (Japan), south to Queensland (Australia) and New Caledonia.

Order: Blenniiformes

Family: Pseudochromidae**Genus: *Halidesmus*** Günther 1872**570. *Halidesmus thomasseni*** (Nielsen 1961)**Status in Gulf of Oman:** Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: **Species Anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on Zoogeography.****Material:** ROM, USNM (Pakistan).**IUCN (2022):** Not Evaluated (NE).**Distribution:** Northern Indian Ocean: Oman to Bay of Bengal.**Genus: *Haliophis*** Rüppell 1829**571. *Haliophis diademus*** Winterbottom & Randall, 1994-Stars-and-stripes snakelet**Status in Gulf of Oman:** Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Randall (1995).**IUCN (2019):** Least Concern (LC).**Distribution:** Northwestern Indian Ocean: Oman.**Genus: *Pseudochromis*** Rüppell 1835**572. *Pseudochromis aldabraensis*** Bauchot-Boutin 1958-Orange dottyback**Status in Gulf of Oman:** Oman: Gill & Mee (1993); UAE: **Species Anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on Zoogeography;** Iran: -; Pakistan: Gill (2004).**Material:** WAM (UAE); AMS, BPBM, NSMT-P, ROM, USNM (Pakistan).**IUCN (2019):** Least Concern (LC).**Distribution:** Western Indian Ocean: Aldabra; Oman and Persian Gulf east to Pakistan; Sri Lanka.**573. *Pseudochromis caudalis*** Boulenger 1898-Stripe-tailed dottyback**Status in Gulf of Oman:** General: Gill (2022); Oman: Gill & Mee (1993), Gill (2004); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Gill & Mee (1993), Gill (2004).**Material:** USNM (Oman); USNM (Pakistan).**IUCN (2019):** Least Concern (LC).**Distribution:** Northern Indian Ocean: Oman and Persian Gulf east to Myanmar.**574. *Pseudochromis dutoiti*** Smith 1955-Dutoiti**Status in Gulf of Oman:** Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: **Species Anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on Zoogeography.****Material:** USNM (Pakistan).**IUCN (2019):** Least Concern (LC).**Distribution:** Western Indian Ocean: South and East Africa, Madagascar, and Seychelles to Pakistan.**575. *Pseudochromis linda*** Randall & Stanaland, 1989-Yellowtail dottyback**Status in Gulf of Oman:** Oman: Randall & Stanaland (1989), Gill & Mee (1993), Gill (2004); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.**Material:** CAS, ROM (Oman).**IUCN (2019):** Least Concern (LC).**Distribution:** Northwestern Indian Ocean: Gulf of Aden, Socotra Archipelago, and Persian Gulf east to Pakistan.**576. *Pseudochromis leucorhynchus*** Lubbock 1977-White-nosed dottyback**Status in Gulf of Oman:** Oman: Gill & Mee (1993); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.**IUCN (2019):** Least Concern (LC).**Distribution:** Western Indian Ocean.**577. *Pseudochromis linda*** Randall & Stanaland 1989-Yellowtail dottyback**Status in Gulf of Oman:** General: Gill (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.**IUCN (2020):** Least Concern (LC).**Distribution:** Northwestern Indian Ocean: Gulf of Aden, Gulf of Oman, Persian Gulf, and Pakistan.**578. *Pseudochromis nigrovittatus*** Boulenger, 1897-Blackstripe dottyback**Status in Gulf of Oman:** Oman: Gill & Mee (1993), Gill (2004); UAE: -; Iran: Boulenger (1897); Pakistan: -.**Material:** BMNH, ROM, USNM (Oman); BMNH (Iran).**IUCN (2019):** Least Concern (LC).**Distribution:** Red Sea, northwestern Indian Ocean: Gulf of Aden, Socotra, Gulf of Oman, and Persian Gulf to southern Iran.**579. *Pseudochromis omanensis*** Gill & Mee 1993**Status in Gulf of Oman:** Oman: Iwatsuki et al. (2013); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.**Material:** MUFS (Oman).**IUCN (2009):** Data Deficient (DD).**Distribution:** Northwestern Indian Ocean.**580. *Pseudochromis persicus*** Murray 1887-

Bluespotted dottyback

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Gill & Mee (1993), Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Persian Gulf east to Pakistan.

Genus: *Rusichthys* Winterbottom 1979

581. *Rusichthys explicitus* Winterbottom 1996

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Winterbottom (1996).

IUCN (2019): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Oman.

Family: Plesiopidae Günther 1861

Genus: *Acanthoplesiops* Regan 1912

582. *Acanthoplesiops indicus* Day 1888-Scottie

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Mooi (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan:

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Western Indian Ocean: South Africa, East Africa, and Seychelles, east to west coast of India.

Family: Pomacentridae Bonaparte 1832

Genus: *Abudefduf* Fabricius 1775

583. *Abudefduf bengalensis* (Bloch 1787)-Bengal sergeant

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2010): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Pakistan and India east to Philippines and Papua New Guinea, north to southern Korea and central Japan, south to Rottnest Island (Western Australia) and Port Macquarie (New South Wales, Australia).

584. *Abudefduf sexfasciatus* (Lacepède 1801)-Scissortail sergeant

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Glyphidodon coelestinus*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2010): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Persian Gulf, Socotra, Seychelles, Comoros,

Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Marquesas and Gambier islands, north to southern Korea and southern Japan, south to Rottnest Island (Western Australia), Merimbula (New South Wales, Australia), Lord Howe Island, Tonga and Rapa; invasive in Mediterranean Sea.

585. *Abudefduf sordidus* (Forsskal 1775)-Blackspot sergeant

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Glyphidodon sordidus*; UAE: -; Iran: Ghanbarifardi & Malek (2009); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH, MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2010): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Socotra, Seychelles, Comoros, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Hawaiian Islands, Wake Atoll, and Pitcairn Group, north to southern Korea and central Japan, south to Rottnest Island (Western Australia), Montague Island (New South Wales, Australia), Lord Howe Island, Tonga, and Rapa.

586. *Abudefduf vaigiensis* (Quoy & Gaimard 1825)-Indo-Pacific sergeant

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Iwatsuki et al. (2013); UAE: -; Iran: Ghanbarifardi & Malek (2009); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH, MUFS (Oman), USNM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2013): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Persian Gulf, Socotra, Madagascar and Réunion (Mascarenes) east to Samoa and Tonga, north to southern Korea and central Japan, south to Rottnest Island (Western Australia), Mallacoota (Victoria, Australia), and northern New Zealand; Mediterranean Sea (Red Sea immigrant); Hawaiian Islands introduction.

Genus: *Amphiprion* Giglioli 1884

587. *Amphiprion clarkii* (Bennett 1830)

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1888); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan:

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf east to Caroline Islands and Fiji, north to Korea and central

Japan, south to northern Australia.

588. *Amphiprion omanensis* Allen & Mee 1991-
Oman anemonefish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: Khalaf Sakerfalke von Jaffa (2017); Iran: -; Pakistan:

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Western Indian Ocean: known only from the Arabian Sea coast of Oman.

589. *Amphiprion sebae* Bleeker 1853

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1888); UAE: Khalaf Sakerfalke von Jaffa (2017); Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC)

Distribution: Northern Indian Ocean; western Pacific: northern Indian Ocean: Arabian Peninsula to Andaman Sea and western Indonesia.

Genus: *Chromis* Cuvier, 1814

590. *Chromis opercularis* (Günther 1867)

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan:

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC)

Distribution: Indian Ocean: East Africa, South Africa, Mozambique Channel, Seychelles, and Madagascar east to western Indonesia.

591. *Chromis pambae* Smith 1960

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2015): Endangered (EN).

Distribution: Red Sea; western Indian Ocean: East Africa, Socotra, and Seychelles east to Maldives and Chagos Archipelago.

592. *Chromis xanthopterygia* Randall & McCarthy 1988-Yellowfin chromis

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Allen (2022); Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2015): Endangered (EN).

Distribution: Western Indian Ocean, Northwestern Indian Ocean, Persian Gulf, and Gulf of Oman.

Genus: *Chrysiptera* Swainson 1839

593. *Chrysiptera unimaculata* (Cuvier, 1830)-Onespot demoiselle

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: USNM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2011): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Socotra, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Fiji and Tonga, north to southern Japan, south to Queensland (Australia).

594. *Chrysiptera sheila* Randall 1994-Sheila's damselfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: Ghanbarifardi & Malek (2009); Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2022): Not evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Socotra, Oman.

Genus: *Dascyllus* Cuvier 1829

595. *Dascyllus marginatus* (Rüppell 1829)-Marginate dascyllus

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Allen (2022); Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2022): Not evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Red Sea; northwestern Indian Ocean: Socotra, Gulf of Oman.

596. *Dascyllus trimaculatus* (Rüppell 1829)

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2022): Not evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Persian Gulf, Socotra, Seychelles, Comoros, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Marshall Islands and Pitcairn Group, north to southern Korea and southern Japan, south to Rottneest Island (Western Australia), Wollongong (New South Wales, Australia), Lord Howe Island, New Caledonia, and Austral Islands.

Genus: *Neopomacentrus* Allen 1975

597. *Neopomacentrus miryae* Dor & Allen 1977-Miry's demoiselle

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Allen (2022); Oman:

Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2022): Not evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Western Indian Ocean: Red Sea north of Jeddah, Saudi Arabia.

598. *Neopomacentrus sindensis* (Day 1873)-Arabian demoiselle

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: USNM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC)

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Gulf of Aden, Gulf of Oman, and Persian Gulf east to Pakistan.

Genus: *Plectroglyphidodon* Fowler & Ball 1924

599. *Plectroglyphidodon johnstonianus* Fowler & Ball 1924

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan:

IUCN (2022): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Persian Gulf, Socotra, Aldabra, Madagascar and Mascarenes east to Hawaiian Islands and Pitcairn Group, north to Ryukyu Islands and Ogasawara Islands and Japan, south to Rottnest Island (Western Australia), Arrawarra (New South Wales, Australia), Lord Howe Island, New Caledonia, and Rapa.

Genus: *Pomacentrus* Lacepède 1802

600. *Pomacentrus arabicus* Allen, 1991-Arabian damsel

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Allen (2022); Oman: Allen (1991); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2022): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Gulf of Oman.

601. *Pomacentrus trichrourus* Günther 1867

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan:

IUCN (2022): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Red Sea; western Indian Ocean: East Africa, South Africa, and Persian Gulf to Socotra, Madagascar, and Mascarenes.

Family: Opistognathidae Bonaparte 1835

Genus: *Opistognathus* Cuvier 1816

602. *Opistognathus muscatensis* Boulenger 1888

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith-Vaniz (1989, 2009, 2022); Oman: Boulenger (1888); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan:

Material: BMNH, MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Western Indian Ocean: South Africa, East Africa, Seychelles, and Socotra to Persian Gulf.

603. *Opistognathus nigromarginatus* Rüppell 1830-Birdled jawfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith-Vaniz (1989, 2009, 2022); Oman: Boulenger (1888); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan:

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Mekran coast, Jask.

Genus: *Stalix* Jordan & Snyder 1902

604. *Stalix omanensis* Norman 1939-Oman jawfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Norman (1939) and Smith-Vaniz (1989, 2009); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2017): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Gulf of Oman.

Family: Tripterygiidae Whitley 1931

Genus: *Enneapterygius* Rüppell 1835

605. *Enneapterygius pusillus* Rüppell, 1835-Highcrest triplefin

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Holleman (2022); Oman: Randall (1995b), Fricke (1997), Holleman (2005); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BPBM (Oman).

IUCN (2010): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea, western Indian Ocean: East Africa, South Africa, Persian Gulf, Socotra, and Gulf of Oman east to southern India.

606. *Enneapterygius ventermaculus* Holleman 1982-Blotched triplefin

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Fricke (1997); UAE:

-; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: ROM (Oman).

IUCN (2010): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Southern Red Sea; western Indian Ocean: East Africa, Transkei (South Africa), and southern Persian Gulf east to Pakistan.

Genus: *Helcogramma* McCulloch & Waite, 1918

607. *Helcogramma ellioti* (Herre 1944)-Red-eye threefin

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Sharifiniya et al. (2021); Pakistan: Holleman (2007).

Material: USNM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2010): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indian Ocean: Gulf of Oman (Iran), east to southern India.

608. *Helcogramma steinitzi* Clark 1980-Red triplefin

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Randall (1995b), Fricke (1997); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BPBM (Oman).

IUCN (2010): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea, northwestern Indian Ocean: Socotra, Gulf of Oman, Persian Gulf.

Family: Blenniidae

Genus: *Alticus* Lacepède 1800

609. *Alticus kirkii* (Günther 1868)-Kirk's blenny

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Ghanbarifardi & Malek (2007); Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman), USNM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Western Indian Ocean: East Africa, Persian Gulf, and Madagascar east to western India.

Genus: *Antennablennius* Fowler 1931

610. *Antennablennius adenensis* Fraser-Brunner 1951-Aden blenny

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Mehraban & Esmaili (2018); Pakistan: **Species anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on zoogeography.**

Material: USNM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; northwestern Indian Ocean:

Gulf of Aden and Persian Gulf east to Pakistan.

611. *Antennablennius bifilum* (Günther 1861)-Horned rockskipper

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Ghanbarifardi & Malek (2007); Pakistan: Smith-Vaniz & Springer (1971).

Material: USNM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Western Indian Ocean: South Africa, East Africa, Persian Gulf, Mozambique Channel, Aldabra, Comoros, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to India.

612. *Antennablennius hypenetes* (Klunzinger 1871)-Arabian blenny

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Williams & Springer (2022); Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: **Species anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on zoogeography;** Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: USNM (UAE).

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea, northwestern Indian Ocean: Gulf of Aden, Gulf of Oman, Persian Gulf.

613. *Antennablennius simonyi* (Steindachner 1902)-Simony's blenny

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Esmaili et al. (2022); Oman: -; UAE: *Species Anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on Zoogeography*; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: USNM (UAE).

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Gulf of Aden, Socotra, and Gulf of Oman to Persian Gulf.

614. *Antennablennius variopunctatus* (Jatzow & Lenz 1898)-Orangedotted blenny

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Williams & Springer (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Ghanbarifardi & Malek (2007), Esmaili et al. (2022); Pakistan: Smith-Vaniz & Springer (1971) *as Antennablennius velifer*.

Material: USNM (Iran); USNM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Western Indian Ocean: East Africa, Persian Gulf, and Gulf of Oman east to Pakistan.

Genus: *Aspidontus* Cuvier 1834

615. *Aspidontus dussumieri* (Valenciennes 1836)-Floating blenny

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Williams & Springer (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2014): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, Aldabra, Madagascar, Saint Brandon's Shoals and Mascarenes east to Society Islands and Tuamotu Archipelago, north to southern Japan and Ogasawara Islands, south to Western Australia, northern New South Wales (Australia) and Tonga.

Genus: *Cirripectes* Swainson 1839

616. *Cirripectes filamentosus* (Alleyne & Macleay 1877)-Filamentous blenny

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Williams (1988); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BPBM, ROM (Oman).

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Southern Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Persian Gulf, Seychelles, Madagascar, and Saint Brandon's Shoals east to Philippines, New Ireland (Papua New Guinea), and Solomon Islands, north to southern Japan, south to Western Australia and New Caledonia.

Genus: *Entomacrodus* Gill, 1859

617. *Entomacrodus striatus* (Valenciennes 1836)-Reef margin blenny

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Sharifiniya et al. (2022); Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-Pacific: East Africa to the Line and Ducie islands, north to the Ryukyu, Bonin, and Marcus islands (reported farther north to Wakayama Prefecture in Japan), south to Lord Howe and Rapa islands

Genus: *Ecsenius* McCulloch 1923

618. *Ecsenius pulcher* (Murray 1887)-Gulf blenny

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Springer (1971); UAE: -; Iran: Boulenger (1897) as *Salarias phantasticus*, Regan (1905) as *Salarias anomalus*;

Pakistan: **Species anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on zoogeography.**

Material: BMNH (Oman), BMNH (Iran), USNM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Persian Gulf and Gulf of Oman, east to Pakistan.

Genus: *Hirculops* Smith 1959

619. *Hirculops cornifer* (Rüppell 1830)-Highbrow rockskipper

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: USNM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Western Indian Ocean: East Africa, South Africa, and Persian Gulf to Madagascar.

Genus: *Istiblennius* Whitley 1943

620. *Istiblennius dussumieri* (Valenciennes 1836)-Streaky rockskipper

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Springer & Williams (1994)- **Species anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on zoogeography.**

Material: USNM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: South Africa, East Africa, Socotra, Seychelles, Comoros, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Society Islands, north to southern Japan, south to New South Wales (Australia), Lord Howe Island, and Norfolk Island.

621. *Istiblennius edentulus* (Forster & Schneider 1801)-Rippled rockskipper

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Williams & Springer (2022); Oman: Springer & Williams (1994); UAE: -; Iran: Ghanbarifardi & Malek (2007); Pakistan: -.

Material: MCZ, ROM, USNM (Oman).

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Persian Gulf, Socotra, Seychelles, Comoros, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Wake Atoll and Pitcairn, north to Korea, southern Japan and Ogasawara Islands, south to Rottneest Island (Western

Australia), New South Wales (Australia), Lord Howe Island, and Rapa.

622. *Istiblennius lineatus* (Valenciennes 1836)-Lined rockskipper

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Mehraban & Esmaeili (2017); Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Laccadive and Maldive islands east to Pitcairn Islands, north to Japan, south to Australia and New Caledonia.

623. *Istiblennius pox* Springer & Williams 1994-Scarface rockskipper

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Springer & Williams (1994); UAE: **Species anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on zoogeography**; Iran: Ghanbarifardi & Malek (2007), Alavi-Yeganeh et al, (2018); Pakistan: Springer & Williams (1994).

Material: BMNH, BPBM, MNHN, USNM (Oman), USNM (UAE), USNM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2010): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Southern Red Sea; northwestern Indian Ocean: Somalia, Gulf of Aden, Gulf of Oman, and Persian Gulf east to Pakistan.

624. *Istiblennius spilatus* Springer & Williams 1994-Spotted rockskipper

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Williams & Springer (2022); Oman: Springer & Williams (1994); UAE: -; Iran: Ghanbarifardi & Malek (2007); Pakistan: **Species anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on zoogeography**.

Material: BMNH, BPBM, USNM (Oman), USNM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Western Indian Ocean: South Africa, East Africa, and Persian Gulf to Seychelles, Comoros, Madagascar, and Mascarenes.

Genus: *Oman* Springer 1985

625. *Oman ypsilon* Springer 1985-Oman blenny

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Springer (1985); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: ROM (Oman).

IUCN (2009): Vulnerable (VU).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Socotra,

Oman, Persian Gulf.

Genus: *Omobranchus* Valenciennes, 1836

626. *Omobranchus fasciolatus* (Valenciennes 1836)-Arab blenny

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Ghanbarifardi & Malek (2007); Pakistan: Springer & Gomon (1975).

Material: USNM (UAE), USNM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; western Indian Ocean: East Africa, Persian Gulf, Madagascar, and Réunion (western Mascarenes) east to Pakistan.

627. *Omobranchus mekranensis* (Regan 1905)-Mekran blenny

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Williams & Springer (2022); Oman: Springer & Gomon (1975); UAE: -; Iran: Regan (1905) as *Petroscirtes mekranensis*, Zugmayer (1913) as *Petroscirtes cristatus*, Alavi-Yeganeh et al, (2018); Pakistan: **Species anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on zoogeography**.

Material: BMNH (Oman); USNM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2009): Vulnerable (VU).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Persian Gulf and Gulf of Oman east to Pakistan and Laccadive Islands (India).

628. *Omobranchus punctatus* (Valenciennes 1836)-Muzzled blenny

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: Ghanbarifardi & Malek (2007); Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Madagascar and Persian Gulf east to Philippines and Fiji, north to central Japan, south to Exmouth Gulf (Western Australia) and southern Queensland (Australia); Mediterranean Sea (Red Sea immigrant); introduced in western Atlantic from Caribbean Sea to Brazil (especially near ports); possibly also not native in Red Sea and western Indian Ocean.

Genus: *Parablennius* Miranda-Ribeiro 1915

629. *Parablennius cornutus* (Linnaeus 1758)

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran:

Mehraban & Esmaeili (2018); Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Southeastern Atlantic and western Indian Ocean: South Africa; Iran.

630. *Parablennius opercularis* (Murray 1887)-Cheekspot blenny

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Boulenger (1897) as *Salarias curtus*, Bath (1989); Pakistan: Bath (1989).

Material: BMNH (Iran); USNM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Persian Gulf and Oman east to Pakistan.

631. *Parablennius pilicornis* (Cuvier 1829)-Ringneck blenny

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Mehraban & Esmaeili (2018); Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Mediterranean Sea; eastern Atlantic: southern Bay of Biscay south to South Africa, including Madeira and Canary Islands; western Indian Ocean: South Africa, Iran; southwestern Atlantic: Brazil south to Argentina.

632. *Parablennius thysanius* (Jordan & Seale 1907)-Tasseled blenny

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Bath (1989); UAE: Khalaf-Sakerfalke von Jaffa (2018); Iran: -; Pakistan: Bath (1989).

Material: USNM (Oman); USNM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf, Oman, and Sri Lanka east to Philippines, north to Thailand; introduced in Hawaiian Islands.

Genus: *Petroscirtes* Rüppell 1830

633. *Petroscirtes mitratus* Rüppell 1830-Floral blenny

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: **Species anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on zoogeography**; UAE: -; Iran: Smith-Vaniz (1976); Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman); BMNH (Iran).

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Persian Gulf, Comoros, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Samoa and Tonga, north to Kagoshima

Prefecture (southern Japan), south to Rottnest Island (Western Australia), One Tree Island (Queensland, Australia), and New Caledonia.

Genus: *Plagiotremus* Gill 1865

634. *Plagiotremus rhinorhynchus* (Bleeker 1852)-Bluestriped fangblenny

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Williams & Springer (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2014): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: South Africa, East Africa, Socotra, Seychelles, Madagascar, and western Mascarenes east to Marshall Islands, Society Islands and Marquesas Islands, north to central Japan and Ogasawara Islands, south to Rottnest Island (Western Australia), Pambula Lake (New South Wales, Australia), Lord Howe Island, New Caledonia, and Tonga.

635. *Plagiotremus townsendi* (Regan 1905)-Townsend's fangblenny

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Williams & Springer (2022); Oman: Smith-Vaniz (1987); UAE: -; Iran: Regan (1905) as *Petroscirtes townsendi*; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; northwestern Indian Ocean: Socotra, Gulf of Oman.

Genus: *Scartella* Jordan 1886

636. *Scartella emarginata* (Günther 1861)-Maned blenny

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Williams & Springer (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Mehraban & Esmaeili (2018); Pakistan: **Species anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on zoogeography**.

Material: USNM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: South Africa east to Indonesia, north to Sea of Japan (Yamaguchi Prefecture, Japan), and Pacific coast of Kanagawa Prefecture (Japan).

Genus: *Xiphasia* Swainson, 1839

637. *Xiphasia setifer* Swainson, 1839- Hairtail blenny

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -;

Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Persian Gulf, Madagascar and western Mascarenes east to Vanuatu, north to Korea and central Japan, south to Exmouth Gulf (Western Australia), New South Wales (Australia), Lord Howe Island, and New Caledonia.

Order: Perciformes

Family: Anthiidae Poey, 1861

Genus: *Pseudanthias* Bleeker, 1871

638. *Pseudanthias conspicuus* (Heemstra, 1973)

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Heemstra & Akhilesh (2012); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: CAS (Oman).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Somalia and Persian Gulf east to western India.

639. *Pseudanthias marcia* Randall & Hoover 1993-Marcia's anthias

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Heemstra (2022e); Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Socotra (Yemen); Oman; Kerala and Visakhapatnam (India).

640. *Pseudanthias townsendi* (Boulenger 1897)-Townsend's anthias

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Heemstra (2022e); Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: Boulenger (1897); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman); BMNH (Iran).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Western Indian Ocean: Socotra, Gulf of Oman, Persian Gulf, Arabian Sea.

Genus: *Sacura* Jordan & Richardson, 1910

641. *Sacura boulengeri* (Heemstra, 1973)-Boulenger's anthias

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1889) as *Anthias formosus*, Heemstra (1973) as *Anthias boulengeri*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH, USNM (Oman).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Oman, East Pakistan, and southwest coast of India.

Family: Epinephelidae Bleeker 1874

Genus: *Aethaloperca* Fowler, 1904

642. *Aethaloperca rogaa* (Fabricius 1775)-Redmouth grouper

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Heemstra (2022e); Oman: Boulenger (1889) as *Serranus rogaa*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2016): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, Madagascar, Réunion (western Mascarenes, now extinct), and Persian Gulf east to Marshall Islands, Fiji, and Samoa, north to southern Japan, south to northwestern Australia, Queensland (Australia), and New Caledonia.

Genus: *Cephalopholis* Bloch & Schneider, 1801

643. *Cephalopholis hemistiktos* (Rüppell 1830)-Yellowfin hind

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Heemstra & Randall (1993); Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Serranus hemistictus*; UAE: -; Iran: Heemstra & Randall (1991); Pakistan: Heemstra & Randall (1991).

Material: BPBM, MCZ, MUFS, ROM (Oman), BMNH (Iran).

IUCN (2016): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea, northwestern Indian Ocean: Gulf of Aden, Socotra, Oman, and Persian Gulf east to Pakistan.

644. *Cephalopholis sonnerati* (Valenciennes 1828)-Tomato hind

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1889) as *Serranus sonnerati*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Marshall Islands, Samoa, and Tonga, north to Japan, south to Western Australia, southern New South Wales (Australia), and New Caledonia.

Genus: *Chelidoperca* Boulenger 1895

645. *Chelidoperca investigatoris* (Alcock 1890)-

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: **Species anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on zoogeography**; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northern Indian Ocean: Arabian Sea, east to Myanmar.

Genus: *Dermatolepis* Gill 1861

646. *Dermatolepis striolata* (Playfair 1867)-Smooth grouper

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Heemstra (2022e); Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Serranus gibbosus*, Randall & Heemstra (1991); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Southern Red Sea, western Indian Ocean: East Africa, KwaZulu-Natal (South Africa), Gulf of Aden, Socotra, and Gulf of Oman to Aldabra and Comoros

Genus: *Epinephelus* Bloch 1793

647. *Epinephelus areolatus* (Forsskål 1775)-Areolate grouper

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Heemstra & Randall (1993); Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Serranus angularis*, Randall & Heemstra (1991); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2016): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Socotra, Persian Gulf, and Madagascar east to Fiji, Tonga, and Samoa, north to Sea of Japan (Korea, Japan), south to Western Australia and Queensland (Australia), and New Caledonia.

648. *Epinephelus bleekeri* (Vaillant 1878)-Duskytail grouper

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1889) as *Serranus coromandelicus*, Randall & Heemstra (1991); UAE: -; Iran: Jafari-Patcan et al. (2018);

Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman); ANSP (Iran).

IUCN (2016): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf east to Philippines, north to Wakayama Prefecture (Japan), south to northern Australia (York Sound, Western Australia east to Cobourg Peninsula, Northern Territory).

649. *Epinephelus coeruleopunctatus* (Bloch 1790)-Whitespotted grouper

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1892) as *Serranus hoevenii*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2016): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: South Africa, East Africa, Madagascar, western Mascarenes, and Persian Gulf east to Marshall Islands, Fiji, and Tonga, north to southern Japan, south to Western Australia, northern New South Wales (Australia), and New Caledonia.

650. *Epinephelus coioides* (Hamilton 1822)-Orange-spotted grouper

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Heemstra & Randall (1993); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Randall & Heemstra (1991).

IUCN (2016): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Madagascar, western Mascarenes, and Persian Gulf east to Fiji, north to southern Sea of Japan (Japan), south to Western Australia, New South Wales (Australia), and New Caledonia; Mediterranean Sea (Red Sea immigrant).

651. *Epinephelus diacanthus* (Valenciennes 1828)-Spinycheek grouper

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Heemstra (2022e); Oman: Boulenger (1889) as *Serranus diacanthus*, Heemstra & Randall (1991); UAE: -; Iran: Heemstra & Randall (1991); Pakistan: Heemstra & Randall (1991).

Material: ANSP (Iran), ANSP, BMNH, LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2016): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northern Indian Ocean: Gulf of Aden and Persian Gulf east to Sri Lanka, southeastern India, and Myanmar.

652. *Epinephelus epistictus* (Temminck & Schlegel

1842)-Dotted grouper

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Serranus praeopercularis*, Heemstra & Randall (1991); UAE: -; Iran: Heemstra & Randall (1993); Pakistan: Heemstra & Randall (1993).

Material: ANSP, BMNH, MUFS (Oman), ANSP (Iran).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Comoros, Madagascar, and Persian Gulf east to Philippines and New Guinea, north to Korea, southern Sea of Japan (Japan), and Ogasawara Islands (Japan), south to northwestern Australia.

653. *Epinephelus erythrurus* (Valenciennes 1828)-Cloudy grouper

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Heemstra & Randall (1991).

IUCN (2016): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Socotra and Pakistan east to Gulf of Thailand and Indonesia.

654. *Epinephelus fasciatus* (Forsskal 1775)-Blacktip grouper

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Jawad & Al-Jufaili (2021); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2016): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra and La Pérouse Soumount (western Mascarenes) east to Wake Atoll, Marshall Islands and Pitcairn Group, north to southern Sea of Japan and Ogasawara Islands, south to Western Australia, Lord Howe Island, Norfolk Island, New Caledonia, Tonga and Rapa; eastern Mediterranean Sea (Red Sea migrant). Introduced in the Canary Islands.

655. *Epinephelus flavocaeruleus* (Lacepède 1802)-Blue-and-yellow grouper

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Iwatsuki et al. (2013); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2016): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indian Ocean: East Africa, South Africa, Persian Gulf, Socotra, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Andaman Islands, western Thailand, Malay Peninsula, and Sumatra (Indonesia).

656. *Epinephelus fuscoguttatus* (Forsskal, 1775)-Brown-marbled grouper

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Heemstra & Randall (1993).

IUCN (2016): Vulnerable (VU).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Persian Gulf, Socotra, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Phoenix Islands and Samoa, north to Kagoshima (southern Japan), south to Queensland (Australia).

657. *Epinephelus gabriellae* Randall & Heemstra 1991- Multispotted grouper

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Heemstra (2022e); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2016): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Somalia, Yemen, Socotra, and Oman.

658. *Epinephelus jakari* (Boulenger 1889)-White-blotched grouper

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Heemstra (2022e); Oman: Boulenger (1889) as *Serranus jakari*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2016): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indian Ocean: East Africa, Persian Gulf, Socotra, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to India and Myanmar; Northern Territory (Australia) south to Shark Bay (Western Australia).

659. *Epinephelus lanceolatus* (Bloch 1790)-Giant grouper

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Heemstra (2022e); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Heemstra & Randall (1991).

IUCN (2016): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Persian Gulf, Socotra, Madagascar, and western Mascarenes east to Hawaiian Islands and Pitcairn Group, north to southern Japan, south to Western Australia, New South Wales (Australia), northern New Zealand, and Tonga.

660. *Epinephelus latifasciatus* (Temminck & Schlegel 1842)-Striped grouper

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Heemstra & Randall (1993); Oman: Boulenger (1889) as *Serranus latifasciatus*; UAE: -; Iran: **Species Anticipated for the**

Sea of Oman based on Zoogeography; Pakistan: Heemstra & Randall (1991).

Material: ANSP, BMNH, BPBM (Oman), ANSP (Iran), LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2016): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf east to South China Sea, north to Japan, south to northwestern Australia.

661. *Epinephelus malabaricus* (Bloch & Schneider 1801)-Malabar grouper

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1889) as *Serranus salmonoides*, Heemstra & Randall (1991); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2016): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Madagascar, western Mascarenes, and Socotra east to Tonga, north to southern Sea of Japan and Miyazaki Prefecture (southern Japan), south to Western Australia, New South Wales (Australia); Mediterranean Sea (Red Sea immigrant).

662. *Epinephelus merra* Bloch 1793-Honeycomb grouper

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Regan (1905); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan:

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Persian Gulf, Madagascar and Mascarenes east to Wake Atoll and Pitcairn Group, north to southern Japan, south to Western Australia, New South Wales (Australia), Lord Howe Island, New Caledonia, Tonga, and Rapa.

663. *Epinephelus morrhua* (Valenciennes 1833)-Comet grouper

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Heemstra (2022); Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Serranus morrhua*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2016): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Madagascar, Mascarenes, and Socotra east to Cook Islands, north to Sea of Japan (Japan), south to Western Australia, New South Wales (Australia), New Caledonia, Tonga, and Tuamotu Archipelago.

664. *Epinephelus multinotatus* (Peters 1876)-White-blotched grouper

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Heemstra & Randall (1991); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH, BPBM (Oman).

IUCN (2023): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indian Ocean: East Africa, Persian Gulf, Socotra, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to India and Myanmar; Northern Territory (Australia) south to Shark Bay (Western Australia).

665. *Epinephelus poecilonotus* (Temminck & Schlegel 1843)-Dot-dash grouper

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Iwatsuki et al. (2013); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2016): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: South Africa, East Africa, Madagascar, western Mascarenes, and Socotra, east to Fiji and Western Australia, north to southern Korea, central Japan, and Ogasawara Islands (Japan).

666. *Epinephelus polylepis* Randall & Heemstra 1991-Smallscaled grouper

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Heemstra (2022e); Oman: Heemstra & Randall (1991); UAE: -; Iran: Heemstra & Randall (1993); Pakistan: Heemstra & Randall (1991).

Material: BMNH, MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2016): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Gulf of Aden, Gulf of Oman, and Persian Gulf east to western India.

667. *Epinephelus radiatus* (Day 1868)-Oblique-banded grouper

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Heemstra (2022e); Oman: Heemstra & Randall (1991); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BPBM (Oman).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Socotra, Comoros, and western Mascarenes east to New Ireland (Papua New Guinea), north to southern Japan, south to Western Australia and Queensland (Australia).

668. *Epinephelus retouti* Bleeker 1868-Red-tipped grouper

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Iwatsuki et al. (2013); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: South Africa, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Marshall Islands, Line Islands, and Society Islands, north to southern Japan, south to New Caledonia and Tonga.

669. *Epinephelus stoliczkae* (Day 1875)-Epaulette grouper

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Heemstra & Randall (1993); Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Serranus stoliczkae*; UAE: -; Iran: Heemstra & Randall (1991); Pakistan: Heemstra & Randall (1991).

Material: BMNH, BPBM, MUFS (Oman); USNM (Iran); ANSP, SAIAB, USNM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; northwestern Indian Ocean: Gulf of Aden, Socotra, Gulf of Oman, and Persian Gulf east to Pakistan.

670. *Epinephelus tukula* Morgans 1959- Potato grouper

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Heemstra & Randall (1991); UAE: -; Iran: Heemstra & Randall (1993); Pakistan: Heemstra & Randall (1991), Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BPBM, MUFS (Oman), CAS (Pakistan).

IUCN (2016): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Comoros, Madagascar, Seychelles, Comoros and western Mascarenes east to New Ireland (Papua New Guinea), north to southern Japan and the Pacific coast of Japanese mainland, south to Western Australia and Queensland (Australia).

671. *Epinephelus undulosus* (Quoy & Gaimard 1824)- Wavy-lined grouper

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Regan (1905); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2016): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa and Socotra east to Philippines and Solomon Islands, north to Taiwan.

Genus: *Hyporthodus* Gill 1861

672. *Hyporthodus octofasciatus* (Griffin 1926)- Eightbar grouper

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Heemstra & Randall (1993) as *Epinephelus octofasciatus*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2016): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Gulf of Aden, South Africa, Socotra, Persian Gulf, Madagascar, and western Mascarenes east to Marquesas Islands, north to Japan, south to Rottnest Island (Western Australia), New Caledonia, northern New Zealand, Kermadec Islands, and Tonga.

Genus: *Plectranthias* Bleeker 1873

673. *Plectranthias vexillarius* Randall 1980

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Heemstra (2022e); Oman: Randall (1980); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: USNM (Oman).

IUCN (2017): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Gulf of Oman.

Genus: *Plectropomus* Oken 1817

674. *Plectropomus punctatus* (Quoy & Gaimard 1824)-Marbled coral-grouper

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Heemstra (2022e); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2016): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Western Indian Ocean: East Africa, Socotra, Seychelles, Madagascar and Mauritius (Mascarenes), Oman, Yemen, and Somalia, east to Chagos Archipelago.

Family: *Platycephalidae* Swainson 1839

Genus: *Cociella* Whitley 1940

675. *Cociella crocodilus* (Cuvier 1829)

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Red Sea and East Africa to the Solomon Islands, north to southern Japan, south to Australia.

676. *Cociella punctata* (Cuvier 1829)-Spotted flathead

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Knapp (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, and Madagascar east to Philippines and Vanuatu, north to Taiwan, south to New Caledonia.

Genus: *Grammoplites* Fowler 1904

677. *Grammoplites scaber* (Linnaeus 1758)-Rough flathead

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf east to Philippines, north to Taiwan.

678. *Grammoplites suppositus* (Troschel 1840)-Spotfin flathead

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Poss (2022); Oman: Regan (1905) as *Platycephalus maculipinna*; UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944) as *Platycephalus maculipinna*; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: USNM (Iran).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Southern Red Sea; northwestern Indian Ocean: Somalia and Persian Gulf east to Sri Lanka.

Genus: *Kumococius* Matsubara & Ochiai 1955

679. *Kumococius rodericensis* (Cuvier 1829)-Spiny flathead

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf, Gulf of Oman, and western Mascarenes east to Philippines, north to southern Japan, south to northern Australia.

Genus: *Onigocia* Jordan & Thompson 1913

680. *Onigocia pedimacula* (Regan, 1908)-Broadband flathead

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -;

Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa and Maldiv Islands to Indonesia, Philippines, Solomon Islands, Australia, and Tonga.

Genus: *Papilloculiceps* Fowler & Steinitz 1956

681. *Papilloculiceps longiceps* (Cuvier 1829)-Tentacled flathead

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Knapp (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; western Indian Ocean: Gulf of Aden, Socotra, and Gulf of Oman south to northern South Africa, east to Madagascar and Seychelles; Mediterranean Sea (Red Sea immigrant).

Genus: *Platycephalus* Bloch 1795

682. *Platycephalus indicus* (Linnaeus 1758)-Bartail flathead

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Assadi & Dehghani (1997); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2009): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, and Persian Gulf east to Philippines and New Guinea, north to Korea and southern Japan, south to northwestern Australia and New South Wales (Australia); Mediterranean Sea (Red Sea immigrant).

Genus: *Ratabulus* Jordan & Hubbs 1925

683. *Ratabulus melanopterus* (Knapp & Wongratana 1987)

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Knapp & Wongratana (1987) as *Sorsogona melanoptera*; UAE: -; Iran: **Species anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on zoogeography**; Pakistan: -.

Material: ANSP, USNM (Oman), USNM (Iran).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Northern Indian Ocean: Gulf of Oman, east to Andaman Sea coast of Thailand.

684. *Ratabulus nigripinnis* (Regan 1905)

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Regan (1905) as

Platycephalus nigripinnis, Randall (1995) as *Sorsogona nigripinna*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -. IUCN (2022): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Western Indian Ocean: Somalia and Gulf of Aden to Gulf of Oman.

685. *Ratabulus prionotus* (Sauvage 1873)

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Regan (1905) as *Platycephalus townsendi*, Randall (1995) as *Sorsogona prionota*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -. IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; western Indian Ocean: East Africa, Persian Gulf, and Mauritius (Mascarenes) east to Pakistan; Mediterranean Sea (Red Sea immigrant).

Genus: *Rogadius* Jordan & Richardson, 1908

686. *Rogadius pristiger* (Cuvier 1829)-Thorny flathead

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Knapp (2022); Oman: Norman (1939) as *Platycephalus pristiger*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -. IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Persian Gulf, and Madagascar east to New Ireland (Papua New Guinea), north to southern Japan, south to northern Australia and New Caledonia.

687. *Rogadius serratus* (Cuvier 1829)-Serrated flathead

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Seychelles and Mauritius (Mascarenes) east to Philippines and New Guinea, south to northern Queensland (Australia) and New Caledonia.

Genus: *Sorsogona* Herre 1934

688. *Sorsogona melanoptera* Knapp & Wongratana 1987-Obscure flathead

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Knapp (2022); Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northern Indian Ocean: Gulf of Oman, east to Andaman Sea coast of Thailand.

689. *Sorsogona nigripinna* (Regan 1905)-Blackfin flathead

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Knapp (2022); Oman: Regan (1905); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2017): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Western Indian Ocean: Somalia and Gulf of Aden to Gulf of Oman.

690. *Sorsogona prionota* (Sauvage 1873)-Halfspined flathead

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Knapp (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; western Indian Ocean: East Africa, Persian Gulf, and Mauritius (Mascarenes) east to Pakistan; Mediterranean Sea (Red Sea immigrant).

Family: Triglidae Rafinesque 1815

Genus: *Lepidotrigla* Günther 1860

691. *Lepidotrigla bispinosa* Steindachner, 1898-Bullhorn gurnard

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Richards (1984); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: CAS (Oman).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; northwestern Indian Ocean: Somalia and Persian Gulf east to India.

692. *Lepidotrigla faurei* Gilchrist & Thompson 1914-Scalybreast gurnard

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Richards (1984) as *L. faueri*; Oman: Randall (1995) as *Lepidotrigla faueri*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Western Indian Ocean: South Africa and East Africa to Madagascar; Persian Gulf.

693. *Lepidotrigla omanensis* Regan 1905-Oman gurnard

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Regan (1905); Oman: Regan (1905); UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: CAS (Oman); ANSP (Iran).

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northern Indian Ocean: Gulf of Aden, east to Myanmar.

694. *Lepidotrigla spiloptera* Günther 1880-Spotwing gurnard

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Persian Gulf, and Madagascar east to Philippines, north to Taiwan, south to Queensland (Australia).

Genus: *Pterygotrigla* Waite 1899

695. *Pterygotrigla arabica* (Boulenger 1888)

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Richards (2022); Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Trigla arabica*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH, FMNH (Oman), USNM (Iran).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northern Indian Ocean.

Family: Synanceiidae Swainson 1839

Genus: *Ablabys* Kaup 1873

696. *Ablabys binotatus* (Peters 1855)- Redskinfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Poss (2022).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2017): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: South and East Africa to Madagascar.

Genus: *Apistus* Cuvier & Valenciennes 1829

697. *Apistus carinatus* (Bloch & Schneider 1801)- Ocellated waspfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Poss (2022); Oman: Regan (1905) as *Apistus alatus*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Madagascar, and Persian Gulf east to Philippines and Papua (Indonesia), north to southern Sea of Japan and Bonin (Ogasawara Islands), south to Western Australia and New South Wales (Australia).

Genus: *Choridactylus* Richardson 1848

698. *Choridactylus multibarbus* Richardson 1848- Orangebanded stingfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Poss & Rama-Rao (1984); Oman: Boulenger (1889) as *Chorismodactylus multibarbis*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf east to Philippines, north to Taiwan.

Genus: *Minous* Cuvier 1829

699. *Minous dempsterae* Eschmeyer, Hallacher & Rama-Rao, 1979- Obliquebanded stingfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: Assadi & Dehghani (1997); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf east to Philippines, north to Taiwan.

700. *Minous inermis* Alcock 1889-Alcock's scorpionfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Poss (2022); Oman: Regan (1905), Lloyd (1909) as *Minous longipinnis*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH, FMNH, ZSI (Oman).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea, northern Indian Ocean: Somalia and Gulf of Oman east to India, Myanmar, and west coast of Thailand.

701. *Minous monodactylus* (Bloch & Schneider 1801)-Grey stingfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Persian Gulf, Seychelles, Madagascar, and Mauritius (Mascarenes) east to Indonesia and Taiwan, north to Korea and Japan, south to New Caledonia.

702. *Minous usachevi* Mandrytsa 1993

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Jawad & Al-Jufaili (2021); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Gulf of Aden, east to Oman.

Genus: *Pseudosynanceia* Day 1875

703. *Pseudosynanceia melanostigma* Day, 1875-Blackfin stonefish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Persian Gulf and Gulf of Oman, east to India.

Genus: *Richardsonichthys* Smith, 1958

704. *Richardsonichthys leucogaster* (Richardson 1848)-Whiteface waspfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Regan (1905) as *Psosopodasys leucogaster*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa and Seychelles east to Philippines, north to southern China, south to Western Australia, Queensland (Australia), and New Caledonia.

Genus: *Snyderina* Jordan & Starks 1901

705. *Snyderina guentheri* (Boulenger 1889)-Günther's waspfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Poss (2022); Oman: Boulenger (1889) as *Tetraroge guentheri*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: CAS (Oman).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northern Indian Ocean: Gulf of Aden and Gulf of Oman, east to Myanmar.

Family: Scorpaenidae Risso 1826

Genus: *Brachypterois* Fowler 1938

706. *Brachypterois serrulifer* Fowler 1938-Sawmaxilla scorpionfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Poss & Motomura (2022) as *Brachypterois serrulata* (non Richardson 1846); Oman: Randall (1995) as *Brachypterois serrulata* (non Richardson 1846), Matsunuma et al.

(2013); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: CAS (Oman).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Southern Red Sea, Indo-West Pacific: Madagascar, Oman, and Persian Gulf east to Philippines, north to southern Japan, south to northern Australia.

Genus: *Ebosia* Jordan & Starks 1904

707. *Ebosia falcata* Eschmeyer & Rama-Rao 1978

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northern Indian Ocean: Somalia, east to Myanmar, and west coast of Thailand.

Genus: *Parapterois* Bleeker 1876

708. *Parapterois macrura* (Alcock 1896)

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Somalia and southern Oman, east to Pakistan and southern India.

Genus: *Pterois* Oken 1817

709. *Pterois antennata* (Bloch 1787)-Broadbarred firefish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1889); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan:

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Wake Atoll, northern Line Islands, and Pitcairn Group, north to Sea of Japan, south to Western Australia, New South Wales (Australia), Kermadec Islands, and to Rapa.

710. *Pterois mombasae* (Smith 1957)-Frillfin turkeyfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indian Ocean: East and South

Africa, Socotra, and Madagascar east to western Indonesia.

711. *Pterois miles* (Bennett 1828)-Devil firefish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1888); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indian Ocean: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, Madagascar, Mascarenes, and Persian Gulf east to Singapore and Indonesia; Mediterranean Sea (Red Sea immigrant); possibly invasive in the Western Atlantic.

712. *Pterois russellii* Bennett 1831-Plaintail turkeyfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Poss & Motomura (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944) as *Pterois russellii*; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: South Africa, East Africa, Persian Gulf, Madagascar, and Mauritius (Mascarenes) east to Philippines, north to Vietnam and southern China, south to Western Australia, Queensland (Australia), and New Caledonia.

Genus: *Scorpaenodes* Bleeker 1857

713. *Scorpaenodes investigatoris* Eschmeyer & Rama-Rao 1972

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Eschmeyer & Rama-Rao (1972).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northern Indian Ocean

714. *Scorpaenodes muciparus* (Alcock 1889)

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northern Indian Ocean

Genus: *Scorpaenopsis* Heckel 1837

715. *Scorpaenopsis barbata* Rüppell 1838- Bearded scorpionfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Randall & Eschmeyer (2002); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BPBM (Oman).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Western Indian Ocean: East Africa to Seychelles, Aldabra, Comoros, Madagascar, Réunion, Mauritius, Rodrigues (Mascarenes), and Chagos Archipelago.

716. *Scorpaenopsis lactomaculata* (Herre 1945)-Whiteblotched scorpionfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Randall & Eschmeyer (2002); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: CAS (Iran); CAS, USNM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Persian Gulf east to India.

717. *Scorpaenopsis ramaroi* Randall & Eschmeyer 2002-Rama Rao's scorpionfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Randall & Eschmeyer (2002).

Material: CAS (Pakistan).

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Pakistan, Sri Lanka, and India east to Philippines, Palau, and Papua New Guinea, north to Kochi Prefecture (Japan), south to New Caledonia.

718. *Scorpaenopsis venosa* (Cuvier 1829)-Raggy scorpionfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Poss & Motomura (2022); Oman: Regan (1905) as *Scorpaena rosea*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Persian Gulf, Seychelles, Saya de Malha Bank, and Madagascar east to Philippines and New Ireland (Papua New Guinea), north to Japan, south to New Caledonia and Australia.

Order: Acanthuriformes

Family: Gerreidae Bleeker 1859

Genus: *Gerres* Quoy & Gaimard 1824

719. *Gerres filamentosus* Cuvier 1829-Whipfin silver-biddy

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Woodland (1984a); Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: NRM (Oman); LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2016): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Madagascar, and western Mascarenes east to Fiji, north to southern Japan, south to Western Australia, Queensland (Australia), and New Caledonia.

720. *Gerres infasciatus* Iwatsuki & Kimura, 1998- Nonbanded whipfin mojarra

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Iwatsuki et al. (2013); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2009): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf east to Gulf of Thailand.

721. *Gerres limbatus* Cuvier, 1830- Saddleback silver-biddy

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Koochaknejad et al. (2020); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2013): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf east to western Indonesia and Gulf of Thailand, north to China and Taiwan.

722. *Gerres longirostris* (Lacepède 1801)

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *G. acinaces*, Iwatsuki et al. (2013); UAE: **Species anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on zoogeography**; Iran: -; Pakistan: - .

Material: BMNH, MUFS (Oman), NRM (UAE).

IUCN (2013): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, Aldabra, Madagascar, Mascarenes, and Persian Gulf east to Palau and Marquesas Islands, north to Ryukyu Islands and Japan, south to Queensland (Australia), New Caledonia, and Tonga.

723. *Gerres macracanthus* Bleeker, 1854-Longspine silverbiddy

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Iwatsuki et al. (2013); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2025): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Southern Red Sea, Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Persian Gulf, and Socotra east to Philippines, north to Ryukyu Islands.

724. *Gerres oyena* (Fabricius 1775)-Common silver-biddy

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Woodland (1984a); Oman: Iwatsuki et al. (2013); UAE: **Species Anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on Zoogeography**; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: MCZ, MUFS (Oman), NRM (UAE).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: India, Bangladesh, and Myanmar east to Micronesia and New Ireland (Papua New Guinea), north to Ryukyu Islands, south to northern Australia.

725. *Gerres phaiya* Iwatsuki & Heemstra, 2001- Strong spined silver-biddy

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated.

Distribution: Northern Indian Ocean: Pakistan east to Singapore.

Genus: *Pentaprion* Bleeker 1850

726. *Pentaprion longimanus* (Cantor 1849)-Longfin mojarra

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf east to Papua New Guinea, north to southern Japan, south to northern Australia.

Family: *Sillaginidae* Richardson 1846

Genus: *Sillago* Cuvier 1817

727. *Sillago arabica* McKay & McCarthy 1989-Arabian sillago

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: **Species anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on zoogeography**; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2014): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Persian Gulf and Gulf of Oman, east to Pakistan.

728. *Sillago attenuata* McKay 1985-Slender sillago
Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Heemstra (2022c); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.
IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Persian Gulf and Gulf of Oman.

729. *Sillago chondropus* (Bleeker 1849)-Clubfoot sillago

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Heemstra (2022c); Oman: McKay (1985) as *Sillago chondropus*; UAE: -; Iran: Khandan Barani et al., 2023; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: USNM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2022): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific.

730. *Sillago indica* McKay, Dutt & Sujatha, 1985-Indian sillago

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Mirhadi et al., 2024; Pakistan: -.

Material: TAC (Iran).

IUCN (2009): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: North Western Indian Ocean.

731. *Sillago panhwar* Panhwar, Farooq, Qamar, Shaikh & Mairaj, 2017- Yellow-brown sillago

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Panhwar et al., (2017).

Material: -.

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE)

Distribution: Western Indian Ocean.

732. *Sillago persica* Khandan Barani, Alavi-Yeganeh & Ghanbarifardi, 2025

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Khandan Barani et al. (2025); Pakistan: Cheng et al. (2021) as *Sillago sihama*.

Material: TAC (Iran).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE)

Distribution: Persian Gulf and Oman Sea.

733. *Sillago sihama* (Fabricius 1775)-Silver sillago

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: McKay (1992); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman); USNM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Southern Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific:

East Africa, South Africa, Madagascar, Mascarenes, and Persian Gulf east to Philippines and Solomon Islands, north to Korea and southern Japan, south to Western Australia, Queensland (Australia) at 21°09'S and New Caledonia.

Family: Drepaneidae Gill 1872

Genus: *Drepane* Cuvier & Valenciennes 1831

734. *Drepane longimana* (Bloch & Schneider 1801)-Concertina fish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Heemstra (2022i); Oman: Iwatsuki et al. (2013); UAE: -; Iran: **Species Anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on Zoogeography**; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015). (Heemstra, 1997)

Material: MUFS (Oman); USNM (Iran); LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Persian Gulf, Socotra, and Madagascar east to Philippines and New Guinea, north to southern Japan, south to northern Australia.

735. *Drepane punctata* (Linnaeus 1758)-Spotted sicklefish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1888); UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2023): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Madagascar, Réunion (Mascarenes, now extinct), and Persian Gulf east to Philippines and New Ireland (Papua New Guinea), north to southern Japan, south to northern Australia.

Family: Ephippidae Bleeker 1859

Genus: *Ephippus* Cuvier 1816

736. *Ephippus orbis* (Bloch 1787)-Orbfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944); Pakistan: -.

Material: USNM (Iran).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf and Gulf of Oman east to Philippines, north to Ryukyu

Islands.

Genus: *Platax* Cuvier 1816

737. *Platax orbicularis* (Forsskal 1775)-Orbicular batfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Platax vespertilio*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, Seychelles, Madagascar, western Mascarenes and Persian Gulf east to Tuamotu Archipelago, north to southern Korea and Seto Inland Sea (Japan), south to Western Australia, New Caledonia and Tonga; introduced into Western Atlantic waters off Florida, U.S.A.

738. *Platax teira* (Fabricius 1775)-Longfin batfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1888); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, Madagascar, western Mascarenes and Persian Gulf east to Northern Marianas, New Ireland (Papua New Guinea), Solomon Islands and Loyalty Islands (New Caledonia), north to Korea, central Japan and Ogasawara Islands, south to Cape Naturaliste (Western Australia), Bermagui (New South Wales, Australia), Norfolk Island, New Zealand (vagrant); Mediterranean Sea (Red Sea immigrant).

Genus: *Tripteron* Playfair & Günther 1867

739. *Tripteron orbis* Playfair, 1867- African spadefish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Red Sea; western Indian Ocean: East Africa and Madagascar east to Pakistan.

Family: Sciaenidae Cuvier 1829

Genus: *Argyrosomus* De la Pylaie 1835

740. *Argyrosomus amoyensis* (Bleeker 1863)-Amoy

croaker

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Lal Mohan (1984); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE)

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf east to China.

741. *Argyrosomus heinii* (Steindachner 1902)-Arabian sea meagre

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Lal Mohan (1984); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Bauchot & Smith (1984); Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Chrysophrys sarba*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan:

IUCN (2019): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: southern Arabian coast to Persian Gulf.

742. *Argyrosomus japonicus* (Temminck & Schlegel 1843)-Japanese meagre

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Sasaki (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2018): Endangered (EN).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Socotra, and Persian Gulf east to Philippines, north to southern Korea and southern Japan, south to Rottnest Island (Western Australia) and Tasmania (Australia).

Genus: *Atractoscion* Gill 1862

743. *Atractoscion microlepis* Song, Kim & Kang 2017-Small scale lunate caudal fin croaker

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Sasaki (2022); Oman: Song et al. (2017); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan:

Species anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on zoogeography.

Material: LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2018): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Gulf of Oman, Arabian Sea.

Genus: *Atrobucca* Chu, Lo & Wu 1963

744. *Atrobucca alcocki* Talwar 1980

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Sasaki (1996); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015); Memon et

al. (2016).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC)

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Gulf of Oman to Pakistan and west coast of India.

745. *Atrobucca nibe* (Jordan & Thompson 1911)

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Jawad & Al-Jufaili (2021); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Mozambique and Natal, South Africa, India; China, Japan, Philippines, Indonesia, and off northern Australia.

Genus: *Daysciaena* Talwar 1971

746. *Daysciaena albida* (Cuvier 1830)-Bengal corvina

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indian Ocean: India and Sri Lanka.

Genus: *Dendrophysa* Trewavas 1964

747. *Dendrophysa russelii* (Cuvier 1829)-Goatee croaker

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Pakistan and India east to eastern Indonesia and Philippines, north to northern Vietnam and southern China.

Genus: *Johnius* Bloch 1793

748. *Johnius amblycephalus* (Bleeker 1855)-Bearded croaker

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Persian Gulf, and Madagascar east to China, south to northwestern Australia.

749. *Johnius belangerii* (Cuvier 1830)-Belanger's croaker

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf east to

Indonesia, north to East China Sea.

750. *Johnius borneensis* (Bleeker 1851)-Sharpnose hammer croaker

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Lal Mohan (1984) as *Johnieops vogleri*; Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf east to Philippines and New Guinea, north to northern Vietnam and southern China.

751. *Johnius carouna* (Cuvier 1830)-Caroun croaker

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: India and Myanmar east to Borneo, north to northern Vietnam and southern China.

752. *Johnius carutta* Bloch 1793-Karut croaker

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944); Pakistan: Sasaki (1996).

Material: LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf and Oman east to Indonesia, north to southern China.

753. *Johnius dussumieri* (Cuvier 1830)-Sin croaker

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Lal Mohan (1984); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944) as *Sciaena dussumieri*; Pakistan: Sasaki (1996).

Material: LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC)

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, and Persian Gulf east to Philippines, north to Taiwan.

754. *Johnius elongatus* Lal Mohan 1976- Spindle croaker

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Sasaki (1996).

Material: LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northern Indian Ocean: Arabian Sea, west coast of India, and Sri Lanka.

755. *Johnius macrorhynchus* (Lal Mohan 1976)-Big-snout croaker

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Pakistan and India, east to South China Sea.

756. *Johnius majan* Iwatsuki, Jawad & Al-Mamry 2012-Majan croaker

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Sasaki (2022); Oman: Iwatsuki et al. (2012); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2018): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Western Indian Ocean: southern Oman and Gulf of Oman (Oman) endemic.

757. *Johnius sina* (Cuvier 1830)-Sin croaker

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Boulenger (1892) as *Sciaena sina*; Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC)

Distribution: Indian Ocean: KwaZulu-Natal (South Africa), east to west coast of Malaysia.

Genus: *Kathala* Lal Mohan 1969

758. *Kathala axillaris* (Cuvier 1830)-Kathala croaker

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944) as *Pseudosciaena axillaris*; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northern Indian Ocean: Persian Gulf east to India and Sri Lanka.

Genus: *Nibea* Jordan & Thompson 1911

759. *Nibea maculata* (Bloch & Schneider 1801)-Blotched croaker

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944) as *Johnius maculatus*; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf east to Vietnam.

760. *Nibea soldado* (Lacepède 1802)-Soldier croaker

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2016): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Pakistan and India

east to Philippines, north to northern Vietnam, south to Queensland (Australia).

Genus: *Otolithes* Oken 1817

761. *Otolithes arabicus* Lin, Qurban, Shen & Chao 2019 -Arabian tigertooth croaker

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Sasaki (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Persian Gulf and Gulf of Oman.

762. *Otolithes cuvieri* Trewavas 1974-Lesser tigertooth croaker

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Iwatsuki et al. (2013); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Memon et al. (2015), Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: MUFS (Oman), LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northern Indian Ocean: Persian Gulf and Oman east to Sri Lanka, Bangladesh, and Myanmar.

763. *Otolithes ruber* (Bloch & Schneider 1801)-Tigertooth croaker

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Lal Mohan (1984); Oman: Iwatsuki et al. (2013); UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: MUFS (Oman), OS (Iran), LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2016): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: South Africa, East Africa, Madagascar, and Persian Gulf east to Philippines, north to northern Vietnam and southern China, south to Queensland (Australia).

Genus: *Otolithoides* Fowler 1933

764. *Otolithoides biauritus* (Cantor 1849)-Bronze croaker

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2018): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Pakistan and India east to Sumatra (Indonesia), Borneo, and Vietnam.

765. *Otolithoides pama* (Hamilton 1822)-Pama croaker

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2018): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Northern Indian Ocean: India and Bangladesh.

Genus: *Paranibea* Trewavas 1977

766. *Paranibea semiluctuosa* (Cuvier 1830)-Half-mourning croaker

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Assadi & Dehghani (1997); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2016): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indian Ocean: Pakistan east to western Indonesia.

Genus: *Pennahia* Fowler 1926

767. *Pennahia aneus* (Bloch 1793)-Donkey croaker

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Lal Mohan (1984) as *Johnieops aneus* and *Pennahia macrophthalmus*; Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944) as *Pseudosciaena aneus*; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015) as *Pennahia anea*.

Material: BMNH (Oman); LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2016): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf east to Philippines, north to northern Vietnam and southern China.

Genus: *Protonibea* Trewavas 1971

768. *Protonibea diacanthus* (Lacepède 1802)-Blackspotted croaker

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Lal Mohan (1984); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015) as *Protonibea diacantha*.

Material: LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2018): Near Threatened (NT).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf east to Philippines, north to South China Sea, south to Queensland (Australia).

Genus: *Umbrina* Cuvier 1816

769. *Umbrina canariensis* Valenciennes 1843-Canary drum

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Lal Mohan (1984); Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Umbrina striata*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Southern Mediterranean Sea, eastern Atlantic: Bay of Biscay to South Africa, including Madeira, Canary Islands,? Cape Verde Islands, and São Tomé and Príncipe; western Indian Ocean: South Africa, Madagascar and Réunion (Mascarenes) to Pakistan.

770. *Umbrina robinsoni* Gilchrist & Thompson 1908-Fusca drum

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Jawad & Al-Mamry (2013a); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2022): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Western Indian Ocean: Socotra; South Africa.

771. *Umbrina ronchus* Valenciennes 1843-Fusca drum

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Lal Mohan (1984); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2020): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Southwestern Mediterranean Sea; eastern Atlantic: southern Portugal south to Angola, including Madeira, Canary Islands, Cape Verde Islands, and São Tomé and Príncipe; western Indian Ocean: South Africa to Oman and Persian Gulf.

Family: *Dinoperca* Heemstra & Hecht 1986

Genus: *Dinoperca* Boulenger 1895- Lampfish

772. *Dinoperca petersi* (Day 1875)

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Day (1875) as *Hapalogenys petersi*; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Western Indian Ocean.

Family: *Haemulidae* Gill 1885

Genus: *Diagramma* Oken 1817

773. *Diagramma pictum* (Thunberg 1792)-Painted sweetlips

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: McKay (1984);

Oman: Iwatsuki et al. (2013) as *Diagramma picta*; UAE: -; Iran: Mahmoodzadeh et al. (2020); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: FMNH, MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2022): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Socotra, Persian Gulf, and Mozambique Channel east to Philippines and Fiji, north to southern Sea of Japan and Ogasawara Islands, south to southern Indonesia and New Caledonia.

Genus: *Plectorhinchus* Lacépède 1801

774. *Plectorhinchus flavomaculatus* (Cuvier 1830)-Lemonfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Heemstra (2022d); Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Diagramma jayakari*, Iwatsuki et al. (2013); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH, MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2022): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Red Sea, Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Transkei (South Africa), Socotra, Madagascar, Mauritius (Mascarenes), and Persian Gulf east to Philippines and Vanuatu, north to southern Japan, south to Geographe Bay (Western Australia) and Sydney (New South Wales, Australia).

775. *Plectorhinchus gaterinus* (Forsskal 1775)-Blackspotted rubberlip

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Diagramma gaterina*, Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: Mahmoodzadeh et al. (2020); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH, MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; western Indian Ocean: East Africa, Persian Gulf, Socotra, Gulf of Oman, Seychelles, Comoros, Madagascar, Réunion, and Mauritius (western Mascarenes, now extinct in Réunion).

776. *Plectorhinchus gibbosus* (Lacépède 1802)-Harry hotlips

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: McKay (1984); Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: Alavi-Yeganeh & Khajavi (2019); Pakistan: Moazzam et al. (2006).

IUCN (2011): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Red Sea to Natal, South Africa (including Madagascar and the Comoro and Reunion islands); Gulf of Aden and the Persian Gulf eastward to Samoa, north to the Ryukyu Islands, south to Australia; Caroline and Mariana islands in Micronesia.

777. *Plectorhinchus makranensis* Damadi, Moghaddam, Ghassemzadeh & Ghanbarifardi 2020-Makran sweetlips

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Damadi et al. (2020); Pakistan: -.

Material: ZMFUM (Iran).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Northwest Indian Ocean: Gulf of Oman and Persian Gulf.

778. *Plectorhinchus pictus* (Tortonese 1936)-Trout sweetlips

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: McKay (1984); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Mahmoodzadeh et al. (2020); Pakistan: Moazzam et al. (2006).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Socotra, Persian Gulf, and Mozambique Channel east to Philippines and Fiji, north to southern Sea of Japan and Ogasawara Islands, south to southern Indonesia and New Caledonia.

779. *Plectorhinchus playfairi* (Pellegrin 1914)-Whitebarred rubberlip

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Western Indian Ocean: East Africa, Persian Gulf, Socotra, and southern Oman to Seychelles, Madagascar, and Mauritius (Mascarenes).

780. *Plectorhinchus schotaf* (Fabricius 1775)-Minstrel sweetlips

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: McKay (1984); Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: Mahmoodzadeh et al. (2020); Pakistan: Moazzam et al. (2006).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; western Indian Ocean: East Africa, Persian Gulf, and Socotra east to western India.

781. *Plectorhinchus sordidus* (Klunzinger 1870)-Sordid rubberlip

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Heemstra (2022d); Oman: Iwatsuki et al. (2013); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2016): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; western Indian Ocean: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, and Persian Gulf to Seychelles, Madagascar, Réunion, and Mauritius (Mascarenes)

782. *Plectorhinchus vittatus* (Linnaeus 1758)-Indian Ocean oriental sweetlips

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: McKay (1984) as *P. orientalis*; Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Moazzam et al. (2006) as *Plectorhinchus orientalis*, Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Madagascar, Seychelles and Mascarenes east to Guam and Society Islands, north to southern Japan, south to Western Australia and New Caledonia.

Genus: *Pomadasys* Lacépède 1802

783. *Pomadasys aheneus* McKay & Randall 1995-Yellowback grunt

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Iwatsuki et al. (2013); UAE: -; Iran: Damadi et al. (2021); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Oman and Persian Gulf.

784. *Pomadasys argenteus* (Forsskål 1775)-Silver grunt

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: McKay (1984); Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Pristipoma hasta*, Iwatsuki et al. (2013); UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944) as *Pomadasys argentea*; Pakistan: Moazzam et al. (2006) as *Pomadasys argenteus* and *P. hasta*.

Material: BMNH, MUFS (Oman), LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2011): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa,

Persian Gulf, Socotra, and Madagascar east to Philippines, New Ireland (Papua New Guinea), and Vanuatu, north to southern Japan, south to Western Australia and New South Wales (Australia).

785. *Pomadasys argyreus* (Valenciennes 1833)-Bluecheek silver grunt

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: McKay (1984); Pakistan: McKay (1984).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: India, Bangladesh, and Myanmar east to New Guinea, north to Philippines.

786. *Pomadasys commersonnii* (Lacepède 1801)-Smallspotted grunter

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: McKay (1984); Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Pristipoma operculare*, Iwatsuki et al. (2013); UAE: -; Iran: Mahmoodzadeh et al. (2020) as *Pomadasys opercularis*, Damadi et al. (2021); Pakistan: Moazzam et al. (2006) as *Pomadasys commersonnii* and *P. opercularis*.

Material: BMNH, MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Western Indian Ocean: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, Madagascar, Seychelles, and Persian Gulf east to Arabian Sea coast of India.

787. *Pomadasys furcatus* (Bloch & Schneider 1801)-Banded grunter

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: McKay (1984); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Mahmoodzadeh et al. (2020); Pakistan: Moazzam et al. (2006) as *Pomadasys furcatus*, Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: USNM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea, northwestern Indian: Socotra, Oman, and Persian Gulf.

788. *Pomadasys kaakan* (Cuvier 1830)-Javelin grunter

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: McKay (1984); Oman: Iwatsuki et al. (2013); UAE: -; Iran: Paighambari et al. (2018); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2020): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa,

Socotra, Persian Gulf and Madagascar east to Philippines and New Ireland (Papua New Guinea), north to southern Japan, south to Exmouth Gulf (Western Australia) and Queensland (Australia).

789. *Pomadasys maculatus* (Bloch 1793)-Saddle grunt

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: McKay (1984) as *P. maculatum*; Oman: Iwatsuki et al. (2013) as *Pomadasys maculates*; UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944); Pakistan: Moazzam et al. (2006) as *Pomadasys maculatum*, Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: MUFS (Oman); LACM, USNM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Persian Gulf, and Madagascar east to Philippines and New Guinea, north to southern Japan, south to Shark Bay (Western Australia).

790. *Pomadasys multimaculatus* (Playfair 1867)-Cock grunter

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: McKay (1984) as *P. multimaculatum*; Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Mahmoodzadeh et al. (2020) as *Pomadasys multimaculatum*; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indian Ocean: East Africa, Persian Gulf, and Madagascar east to India and northern Western Australia

791. *Pomadasys olivaceus* (Day 1875)-Olive grunt

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: McKay (1984) as *P. olivaceum*; Oman: Iwatsuki et al. (2013); UAE: -; Iran: Damadi et al. (2021); Pakistan: Day (1875) as *Pristipoma olivaceum*, Moazzam et al. (2006).

Material: MUFS (Oman); USNM (Iran); USNM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Southeastern Atlantic: Namibia; Indian Ocean: South Africa and East Africa, Madagascar, and Persian Gulf east to Myanmar and Andaman Sea.

792. *Pomadasys punctulatus* (Rüppell 1838)-Lined grunt

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Heemstra (2022d); Oman: McKay & Randall (1995), Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BPBM, MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea, northwestern Indian: Socotra, Oman, and Persian Gulf.

793. *Pomadasys stridens* (Forsskal 1775)-Striped piggy

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Pristipoma stridens*; UAE: -; Iran: Mahmoodzadeh et al. (2020) as *Rhonciscus stridens*; Pakistan: Moazzam et al. (2006).

Material: MUFS (Oman); USNM (Iran); LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; western Indian Ocean: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, Madagascar, and Persian Gulf east to western India; Mediterranean Sea (Red Sea immigrant).

794. *Pomadasys taeniatus* McKay & Randall 1995

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Iwatsuki et al. (2013); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Socotra, Oman.

Family: Lobotidae Gill 1861

Genus: *Lobotes* Cuvier 1829

795. *Lobotes surinamensis* (Bloch 1790)-Tripletail

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Jawad et al. (2014b); UAE: -; Iran: Assadi & Dehghani (1997); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2012): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical and warm temperate seas (including Caribbean Sea, Mediterranean Sea, Sea of Marmara, Red Sea, Persian Gulf, South China Sea, Sea of Japan), except for eastern Pacific.

Family: Monodactylidae Jordan & Evermann 1898

Genus: *Monodactylus* Lacepède 1801

796. *Monodactylus argenteus* (Linnaeus 1758)-Silver moony

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Heemstra (1984); Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Psettus argenteus*; UAE: -; Iran: Koochaknejad et al. (2020); Pakistan:

Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: MCZ, MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2016): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Persian Gulf, Socotra, Seychelles, Comoros, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Mariana Islands, Caroline Islands (Micronesia), and Samoa, north to Kagoshima Prefecture (southern Japan), south to Western Australia, and to New Caledonia.

797. *Monodactylus falciformis* Lacepède 1801- Full moony

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Heemstra (1984); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2016): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea and western Indian Ocean: East Africa south to Cape Province (South Africa), Seychelles, Madagascar, Réunion, and Mauritius (west Mascarenes); east to Pakistan.

Family: Emmelichthyidae Jordan 1923

Genus: *Erythrocles* Jordan 1919

798. *Erythrocles schlegelii* (Richardson 1846)- Japanese rubyfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1889) as *Erythrichthys schlegeli*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: South Africa and East Africa north to Oman; Ryukyu Islands to Japan; Western Australia.

Family: Lutjanidae Gill 1861

Genus: *Aphareus* Cuvier & Valenciennes 1830

799. *Aphareus furca* (Lacepède 1801)-Small toothed jobfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Allen (1985) as *A. furcatus*; Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea, Indo-Pacific: East Africa, Socotra, Comoros, Madagascar, Mozambique

Channel, Mascarenes east to Hawaiian Islands and Pitcairn Group, north to southern Japan, south to northern Western Australia, New Caledonia and Tonga; eastern Pacific: Cocos Island.

800. *Aphareus rutilans* Cuvier 1830-Rusty jobfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Allen (1985); Oman: Boulenger (1888); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, Comoros, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Hawaiian Islands, north to southern Japan and Ogasawara Islands, south to northern Western Australia, Queensland (Australia), New Caledonia, and Tonga.

Genus: *Aprion* Cuvier & Valenciennes 1830

801. *Aprion virescens* Valenciennes, 1830- Green jobfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Allen (1985); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Socotra, Seychelles, Comoros, Madagascar, Mascarenes, and Persian Gulf east to Hawaiian Islands and Marquesas Islands, north to southern Japan, south to Western Australia, New South Wales (Australia), New Caledonia, Lord Howe Island, and Tonga.

Genus: *Caesio* Lacepède 1801

802. *Caesio lunaris* Cuvier, 1830- Lunar fusilier

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Carpenter & Holleman (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea, Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Persian Gulf, Socotra, Seychelles, Comoros, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Marshall Islands and Fiji, north to southern Japan, south to off northwestern Australia and New Caledonia.

803. *Caesio varilineata* Carpenter 1987-Variable-lined fusilier

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Carpenter & Holleman (2022); Oman: **Species anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on zoogeography**; UAE: -; Iran: Carpenter (1987); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC)

Distribution: Red Sea; Indian Ocean: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, and Persian Gulf east to western Sumatra and Java (Indonesia).

Genus: *Dipterygonotus* Bleeker 1849

804. *Dipterygonotus balteatus* (Valenciennes 1830)-Mottled fusilier

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Norman (1939) as *Dipterygonotus leucogrammicus*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: [Red Sea]; Indo-West Pacific: South Africa, East Africa, and Gulf of Aden east to Philippines and Solomon Islands, north to Taiwan, south to northern Australia; eastern Mediterranean Sea (Red Sea immigrant).

Genus: *Etelis* Cuvier 1828

805. *Etelis carbunculus* Cuvier 1828-Deep-water red snapper

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Allen (1985); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015). **IUCN (2021):** Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Persian Gulf, Comoro Islands, Seychelles, Comoros, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Hawaiian Islands, Line Islands, and Austral Islands, north to southern Japan, south to Kimberley (northern Australia), New Caledonia, northern New Zealand, and Tonga.

806. *Etelis coruscans* Valenciennes 1862-Deepwater longtail red snapper

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Allen (1985); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015). **IUCN (2015):** Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Socotra, Seychelles, Comoros, Madagascar, and western Mascarenes east to Hawaiian Islands and Samoa,

north to southern Japan, south to Western Australia, New South Wales (Australia), New Caledonia, Lord Howe Island, Kermadec Islands, and Tonga.

Genus: *Lipocheilus* Anderson, Talwar & Johnson 1977

807. *Lipocheilus carnolabrum* (Chan 1970)-Tang's snapper

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Allen (1985); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015). **IUCN (2015):** Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Arabian Sea east to Vanuatu, north to Ryukyu Islands, south to northern Australia.

Genus: *Lutjanus* Bloch 1790

808. *Lutjanus argentimaculatus* (Forsskal 1775)-Mangrove red snapper

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Allen (1985); Oman: Allen & Talbot (1985); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Socotra, Seychelles, Comoros, Madagascar, western Mascarenes, and Persian Gulf east to Kiribati (Line Islands) and Society Islands, north to southern Japan, south to Greenough River (Western Australia), New South Wales (Australia), and Tonga; Mediterranean Sea (Red Sea immigrant).

809. *Lutjanus bohar* (Fabricius 1775)-Two-spot red snapper

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Mesoprion bohar* and *M. rangus*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2021): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Socotra, Seychelles, Comoros, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Kiribati (Line Islands) and Pitcairn Group, north to Ryukyu Islands and Kagoshima Prefecture (southern Japan), south to Rottnest Island (Western Australia), Cape Moreton (Queensland, Australia), Lord Howe Island, and Austral Islands.

810. *Lutjanus coeruleolineatus* (Rüppell 1838)-

Blueline snapper

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Heemstra & Heemstra (2022); Oman: Allen (1985), Allen & Talbot (1985); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea, northwestern Indian Ocean: Gulf of Aden, Socotra, Gulf of Oman, and Pakistan.

811. *Lutjanus ehrenbergii* (Peters 1869)-Blackspot snapper

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Mesoprion ehrenbergii*; UAE: **Species Anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on Zoogeography**; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944) as *Lutjanus ehrenbergi*; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman); NRM (UAE).

IUCN (2016): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Persian Gulf, Socotra and Madagascar east to Caroline Islands and Fiji, Taiwan, north to Ryukyu Islands and Wakayama Prefecture (Japan), south to Northern Territory (Australia).

812. *Lutjanus erythropterus* Bloch 1790-Crimson snapper

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Allen (1985); Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Mesoprion chirtah*, Allen & Talbot (1985); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf and Gulf of Oman east to Philippines and Samoa, north to Ryukyu Islands and southern Japan, south to Western Australia, Queensland (Australia), Solomon Islands, and New Caledonia.

813. *Lutjanus fulviflamma* (Forsskal 1775)-Dory snapper

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Allen (1985); Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Mesoprion fulviflamma*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH, MCZ (Oman).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa,

Socotra, Seychelles, Comoros, Madagascar, Mascarenes, and Persian Gulf east to Philippines, Samoa, and Tonga, north to Ryukyu Islands (Japan) and southern Korea, south to Western Australia, southern New South Wales (Australia), Lord Howe Island, and New Caledonia.

814. *Lutjanus fulvus* (Forster 1801)-Blacktail snapper
Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Persian Gulf, Socotra, Aldabra, Comoros, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Hawaiian Islands, Line Islands (Kiribati), and Marquesas Islands, north to southern Japan, south to Queensland (Australia), Norfolk Island, and Rapa, introduced to Hawaiian Islands.

815. *Lutjanus gibbus* (Forsskal 1775)-Humpback red snapper

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944) as *Lutjanus gibbus* and *L. coccineus*; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Persian Gulf, Socotra, Seychelles, Comoros, Madagascar, and western Mascarenes east to Hawaiian Islands and Line Islands (Kiribati), north to southern Japan, south to Western Australia, Queensland (Australia), New Caledonia, and Tonga.

816. *Lutjanus indicus* Allen, White & Erdmann 2013
Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Heemstra & Heemstra (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea, Indian Ocean: East Africa, Comoros, Madagascar, western Mascarenes, and Persian Gulf east to Bangladesh, Myanmar, and Andaman Sea.

817. *Lutjanus johnii* (Bloch 1792)-John's snapper
Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Allen (1985); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Sadighzadeh et al. (2014); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Persian

Gulf, Mozambique Channel, Seychelles, Madagascar, and Mascarenes (Mauritius and Rodrigues) east to Philippines and Fiji, north to Ryukyu Islands, south to Kimberley (northern Australia) and Queensland (Australia), and New Caledonia.

818. *Lutjanus kasmira* (Fabricius 1775)-Common bluestripe snapper

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Persian Gulf, Socotra, Seychelles, Comoros, Madagascar and Mascarenes east to Hawaiian Islands, Line Islands (Kiribati) and Pitcairn Group, north to southern Japan and Ogasawara Islands, south to Western Australia, southern New South Wales (Australia), New Caledonia, Lord Howe Island, Kermadec Islands and Rapa.

819. *Lutjanus lemniscatus* (Valenciennes 1828)-Yellowstreaked snapper

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: USNM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Gulf of Aden and Persian Gulf east to Philippines and New Guinea, north to Taiwan, south to Western Australia and Queensland (Australia).

820. *Lutjanus lunulatus* (Park 1797)-Lunartail snapper

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Heemstra & Heemstra (2022); Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Allen (1985).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Socotra and Pakistan east to Philippines, Papua New Guinea and Vanuatu, north to Thailand.

821. *Lutjanus lutjanus* Bloch 1790-Bigeye snapper

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Allen (1985); Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Mesoprion lineolatus*, Iwatsuki et al. (2013); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH, MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Socotra, and Persian Gulf east to Philippines and Tonga, north to southern Japan, south to Western Australia and Queensland (Australia).

822. *Lutjanus malabaricus* (Bloch & Schneider 1801)-Malabar blood snapper

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Allen (1985); Oman: Allen & Talbot (1985); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Socotra and Persian Gulf east to Palau, Fiji, and Tonga, north to southern Japan, south to Western Australia, New South Wales (Australia), and New Caledonia.

823. *Lutjanus monostigma* (Cuvier 1828)-One-spot snapper

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Heemstra & Heemstra (2022); Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea, Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Persian Gulf, Socotra, Seychelles, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Kiribati (Line Islands) and Pitcairn, north to southern Japan, south to off northwestern Australia, Queensland (Australia), New Caledonia, and Rapa.

824. *Lutjanus quinquelineatus* (Bloch 1790)-Five-lined snapper

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Allen (1985); Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Mesoprion quinquelineatus* and *Genyoroge quinquelinearis*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Socotra and Persian Gulf east to Philippines and Fiji, north to southern Japan, south to southern New South Wales (Australia) and Lord Howe Island.

825. *Lutjanus rivulatus* (Cuvier 1828)-Blubberlip snapper

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Allen (1985); Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Genyoroge rivulata*, Allen & Talbot (1985); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis

et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Socotra, Seychelles, Madagascar, Mascarenes, and Persian Gulf east to Palau and Society Islands, north to Kyushu (southern Japan), south to Western Australia, Queensland (Australia), New Caledonia, and Tonga.

826. *Lutjanus sanguineus* (Cuvier 1828)-Humphead snapper

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Allen (1985); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; western Indian Ocean: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, Seychelles, Madagascar, and Persian Gulf east to Arabian Sea coast of India.

827. *Lutjanus sapphirolineatus* Iwatsuki, Al-Mamry & Heemstra 2016-Arabian blue-striped snapper

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Heemstra & Heemstra (2022); Oman: Iwatsuki et al. (2016); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: MUFS, OMMSFC, USNM (Oman).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: India and Myanmar east to Indonesia and Philippines, north to Ryukyu Islands. Replaced in the western Indian Ocean by *L. octolineatus* (Cuvier 1828), and in the northwestern Indian Ocean and Red Sea by *L. sapphirolineatus* Iwatsuki et al. (2016).

828. *Lutjanus sebae* (Cuvier 1816)-Emperor red snapper

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Socotra, Seychelles, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Philippines and Solomon Islands, north to Mie Prefecture (Japan), south to Exmouth Gulf (Western Australia), New South Wales (Australia).

829. *Lutjanus vitta* (Quoy & Gaimard 1824)-Brownstripe red snapper

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Seychelles; India, Bangladesh, and Myanmar east to Marshall Islands and New Ireland (Papua New Guinea), north to Ryukyu Islands (Japan), south to northern Australia and New Caledonia.

Genus: *Macolor* Bleeker 1860

830. *Macolor niger* (Forsskal 1775)-Black and white snapper

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Socotra, Seychelles, Comoros, Madagascar and western Mascarenes, Christmas Island, east to Marshall Islands, Samoa and Tonga, north to southern Japan, south to off northwestern Australia and New Caledonia.

Genus: *Paracaesio* Bleeker 1874

831. *Paracaesio xanthurus* (Bleeker 1869)-Yellowtail blue snapper

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Allen (1985); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2016): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Seychelles, Comoros, Madagascar and Mascarenes east to Marshall Islands and New Ireland (Papua New Guinea), north to southern Sea of Japan, south to New South Wales (Australia), Lord Howe Island, Norfolk Island, Kermadec and Austral Islands.

Genus: *Pinjalo* Bleeker, 1873

832. *Pinjalo pinjalo* (Bleeker, 1850)-Pinjalo

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Allen (1985); Oman: Randall et al. (1987); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa and Persian Gulf east to Philippines and Papua New

Guinea, north to Taiwan.

Genus: *Pristipomoides* Bleeker 1852

833. *Pristipomoides filamentosus* (Valenciennes 1830)-Crimson jobfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Allen (1985); Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Persian Gulf, Socotra, Mozambique Channel, Comoro Islands, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Hawaiian and Society islands, north to Amami Islands (southern Japan), south to off northwestern Australia, New South Wales (Australia), and Kermadec Islands.

834. *Pristipomoides multidentis* (Day 1871)-Goldbanded jobfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Allen (1985); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Réunion (western Mascarenes), and Persian Gulf east to Samoa, north to southern Japan, south to northern Australia.

835. *Pristipomoides sieboldii* (Bleeker 1855)-Lavender jobfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Allen (1985); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Southeastern Atlantic: Vema Seamount; Red Sea, Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Persian Gulf, Madagascar and Mascarenes east to Hawaiian Islands and Society Islands, north to southern Sea of Japan, south to Arafura Sea off Northern Territory (Australia), New Caledonia and Tonga.

836. *Pristipomoides zonatus* (Valenciennes 1830)-Oblique-banded snapper

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: **Species anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on zoogeography**; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Allen (1985).

Material: NRM (Oman).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa,

Seychelles, Comoros, and Mascarenes east to Hawaiian and Marquesas islands, north to southern Japan, south to off northern Western Australia, Queensland (Australia), New Caledonia, Lord Howe Island, and Tonga.

Genus: *Pterocaesio* Bleeker 1876

837. *Pterocaesio chrysozona* (Cuvier 1830)-Goldband fusilier

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Carpenter & Holleman (2022); Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Caesio chrysozona*, Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC)

Distribution: Red Sea, Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Socotra, and Madagascar east to Samoa, north to northern Vietnam and Philippines, south to Kimberley (Western Australia), New South Wales (Australia), and Loyalty Islands (New Caledonia).

Family: Pomacanthidae Jordan & Evermann 1898

Genus: *Apolemichthys* Burton 1934

838. *Apolemichthys xanthotis* (Fraser-Brunner 1950)-Yellow-ear angelfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Heemstra (2022h); Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: CAS (Oman).

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea, northwestern Indian Ocean: Gulf of Aden, Socotra, Gulf of Oman, and Persian Gulf.

Genus: *Pomacanthus* Lacépède 1802

839. *Pomacanthus annularis* (Bloch 1787)-Bluering angelfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa and Madagascar east to Solomon Islands, north to Ryukyu Islands (Japan), south to New Caledonia.

840. *Pomacanthus imperator* (Bloch 1787)-Emperor angelfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Persian Gulf, Socotra, Seychelles, Comoros, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Hawaiian Islands and Pitcairn Group, north to southern Japan and Ogasawara Islands, south to Western Australia, Lord Howe Island, New Caledonia, Tonga, and Austral Islands; eastern Mediterranean Sea (Red Sea immigrant).

841. *Pomacanthus maculosus* (Forsskal 1775)- Yellowbar angelfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Holacanthus maculosus*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; western Indian Ocean: East Africa, Socotra, and Persian Gulf east to Pakistan; eastern Mediterranean Sea

842. *Pomacanthus semicirculatus* (Cuvier 1831)- Semicircle angelfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Socotra, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Samoa and Tonga, north to southern Japan, Ogasawara Islands, south to Rottnest Island (Western Australia), New South Wales (Australia), and New Caledonia.

Family: Chaetodontidae Rafinesque 1810

Genus: *Chaetodon* Linnaeus, 1758

843. *Chaetodon collare* Bloch, 1787-Redtail butterflyfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Heemstra & Heemstra (2022b); Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Chaetodon collaris*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH, MCZ (Oman).

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Socotra, Gulf of Aden, Gulf of Oman, Persian Gulf, and Maldives east

to Malaysia, Brunei, and Philippines.

844. *Chaetodon dialeucos* Salm & Mee 1989-Oman butterflyfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean.

845. *Chaetodon gardineri* Norman 1939-Gardner's butterflyfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Norman (1939); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH, MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indian Ocean: Socotra, Gulf of Aden, Gulf of Oman, and Persian Gulf east to Andaman Sea (western Thailand) and western Indonesia.

846. *Chaetodon melapterus* Guichenot 1863-Arabian butterflyfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Heemstra & Heemstra (2022); Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Chaetodon melanopterus*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH, MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; northwestern Indian Ocean: Gulf of Aden, Socotra, Gulf of Oman, and Persian Gulf.

847. *Chaetodon nigropunctatus* Sauvage 1880-Black-spotted butterflyfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Sauvage (1880), Boulenger (1888) as *Chaetodon obscurus*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH, FMNH, MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: southern Oman and Gulf of Oman to Persian Gulf

848. *Chaetodon pictus* Forsskal, 1775- Horseshoe butterflyfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Heemstra & Heemstra (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea, northwestern Indian Ocean: Gulf of Aden, Socotra, Oman.

849. *Chaetodon vagabundus* Linnaeus 1758-

Vagabond butterflyfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Persian Gulf, Mozambique Channel, Seychelles, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Marshall Islands, northern Line Islands, and Tuamotu Archipelago, north to southern Korea and southern Japan, south to Western Australia, Lord Howe Island, New Caledonia, and Austral Islands.

Genus: *Hemitaurichthys* Bleeker 1876

850. *Hemitaurichthys zoster* (Bennett 1831)-Brown-and-white butterflyfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indian Ocean: East Africa, Socotra, Seychelles, Comoros, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Andaman Sea, north to India, south to 28°S.

Genus: *Heniochus* Cuvier 1816

851. *Heniochus acuminatus* (Linnaeus 1758)-Pennant coralfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Heemstra & Heemstra (2022); Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Heniochus macrolepidotus*, Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: MCZ (Oman).

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, Amirantes, Madagascar, and western Mascarenes east to Hawaiian Islands (U.S.A.), north to southern Sea of Japan (Korea, Japan) and Ogasawara Islands (Japan), south to New South Wales (Australia) and Kermadec Islands.

Genus: *Roa* Jordan 1923

852. *Roa jayakari* (Norman 1939)-Indian golden-barred butterflyfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Heemstra & Heemstra (2022); Oman: Norman (1939) as *Chaetodon jayakari*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan:

Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indian Ocean: Socotra and Gulf of Oman east to India, Bangladesh, and Myanmar.

Family: *Leiognathidae* Gill 1893

Genus: *Aurigequula* (Fowler 1918)

853. *Aurigequula fasciata* (Lacepède 1803)-Striped ponyfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Equula fasciata*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH, MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Persian Gulf, Socotra, Seychelles, Comoros, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Palau, Tonga, and Samoa, north to Ryukyu Islands, south to Exmouth Gulf (Western Australia), Queensland (Australia), and New Caledonia.

854. *Aurigequula longispinis* (Valenciennes 1835)-Longspine ponyfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015) as *A. longispina*.

IUCN (2023): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Seychelles, Réunion (Mascarenes), and India east to Palawan (Philippines) and New Ireland (Papua New Guinea), north to Gulf of Thailand, south to Onslow (Western Australia).

Genus: *Equulites* Fowler 1904

855. *Equulites klunzingeri* (Steindachner 1898)-Klunzinger's ponyfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Jawad et al. (2012c); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Khajavi et al. (2019).

Material: FRLM (Oman).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distributions: Red Sea; northwestern Indian Ocean: Gulf of Oman, Persian Gulf; Mediterranean Sea and Sea of Marmara (Red Sea immigrant).

856. *Equulites leuciscus* (Günther 1860)-Whipfin ponyfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -;

Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2016): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Madagascar, East Africa, Oman, and Seychelles to Vanuatu and New Caledonia, Australia to Taiwan and China.

857. *Equulites lineolatus* (Valenciennes 1835)-Ornate ponyfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: James (1984) as *Leiognathus lineolatus*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: **Species Anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on Zoogeography.**

Material: LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated. (NE)

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Madagascar, and Persian Gulf east to Philippines and New Ireland (Papua New Guinea), north to southern Japan, south to northern Australia and New Caledonia.

Genus: *Gazza* Rüppell 1835

858. *Gazza minuta* (Bloch 1795)-Toothpony

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Jawad & Al-Mamry (2013b); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2016): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Persian Gulf, and Madagascar east to Philippines and Society Islands, north to Tosa Bay (southern Japan), south to northwestern Australia, Queensland (Australia), New Caledonia, and Tonga.

859. *Gazza rhombea* Kimura, Yamashita & Iwatsuki 2000-Rhomboid toothpony

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2022): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Pakistan east to Philippines and Vanuatu, north to Ryukyu Islands, south to northern Australia.

Genus: *Karalla* Chakrabarty & Sparks 2008

860. *Karalla daura* (Cuvier, 1829)-Goldstripe ponyfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Alavi-Yeganeh & Bahmani (2018); Pakistan: Psomadakis et

al. (2015).

IUCN (2023): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Gulf of Aden, Gulf of Oman, and Persian Gulf east to Philippines and eastern Indonesia.

Genus: *Leiognathus* Lacepède 1802

861. *Leiognathus equula* (Forsskal 1775)-Common ponyfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Boulenger (1888) as *Equula edentula*; Oman: Jawad et al. (2011d) as *Leiognathus equulus*; UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944) as *Leiognathus equulus*; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman); LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2016): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Socotra, Seychelles, Comoros, Madagascar, Mascarenes, and Persian Gulf east to eastern Caroline Islands, north to Ryukyu Islands (Japan), south to Western Australia, Queensland (Australia), New Caledonia, and Fiji.

Genus: *Deveximentum* Fowler 1904

862. *Deveximentum insidiator* (Bloch 1787)-Pugnose ponyfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: James (1984) as *Secutor insidiator*; Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Khajavi & Alavi-Yeganeh (2020); Pakistan: **Species anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on zoogeography.**

Material: LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2023): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Madagascar, and Persian Gulf, India, east to eastern Indonesia and Solomon Islands, south to Exmouth Gulf (Western Australia) and Queensland (Australia), and New Caledonia.

863. *Deveximentum interruptum* (Valenciennes 1835)-Pig-nosed pony-fish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015) as *Secutor interruptus*.

IUCN (2025): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Pakistan east to

Taiwan, south to northern Australia.

864. *Deveximentum mekranense* (Alavi-Yeganeh, Khajavi & Kimura 2021)-Makran Ponyfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Alavi-Yeganeh et al. (2021); Pakistan: -.

Material: TAC (Iran).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Gulf of Oman.

865. *Deveximentum ruconius* (Hamilton 1822)-Deep Pugnose Ponyfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Khajavi & Alavi-Yeganeh (2020) as *Secutor ruconius*; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf, tropical Indian Ocean, and Southeast Asia, north to Taiwan and China, south to northern Australia.

Genus: *Nuclequula* Whitley 1932

866. *Nuclequula blochii* (Valenciennes 1835)-Twoblotch ponyfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2023): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Pakistan east to Gulf of Thailand.

867. *Nuclequula gerreoides* (Bleeker 1851)-Decorated ponyfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2022): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf east to Philippines and New Ireland (Papua New Guinea), north to Taiwan, south to northern Australia.

Genus: *Photopectoralis* Sparks & Chakrabarty 2015

868. *Photopectoralis aureus* (Abe & Haneda 1972)-Golden ponyfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2025): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Eastern Indian Ocean, western Pacific: Myanmar and Indonesia east to Philippines.

869. *Photopectoralis bindus* (Valenciennes 1835)-Orangefin ponyfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: James (1984) as *Leiognathus bindus*; UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944) as *Leiognathus bindus*; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2023): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: Gulf of Aden and Persian Gulf east to Philippines and Fiji, north to Taiwan, south to Western Australia and New Caledonia.

870. *Photolateralis polyfenestrus* Sparks & Chakrabarty 2019

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Sparks & Chakrabarty (2019); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: AMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Gulf of Oman, northwestern Indian Ocean.

Family: *Zanclidae* Bleeker 1876

Genus: *Zanclus* Cuvier and Valenciennes 1831

871. *Zanclus cornutus* (Linnaeus 1758)-Moorish idol

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Holleman (2022); Oman: **Species anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on zoogeography**; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: MCZ (Oman).

IUCN (2014): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, Seychelles, Madagascar and Mascarenes east to Hawaiian Islands (U.S.A.) and Easter Island (Chile), north to southern Japan and Ogasawara Islands, south to Rottnest Island (Western Australia), Sydney (New South Wales, Australia), Lord Howe Island, Kermadec Islands and Rapa; eastern Pacific: southern tip of Baja California Sur (Mexico) south to Peru, including Clipperton Island (France) and Galapagos Islands (Ecuador).

Family: *Acanthuridae* Bonaparte 1832

Genus: *Acanthurus* Forsskål 1775

872. *Acanthurus leucosternon* Bennett 1832-Powderblue surgeonfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Randall (2022); -;

UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan:

IUCN (2010): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indian Ocean: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, Seychelles, Comoros, Madagascar, and western Mascarenes east to Myanmar, Cocos-Keeling Islands, Christmas Island, and western Indonesia.

873. *Acanthurus mata* (Cuvier 1829)-Elongate surgeonfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Randall (2022); Oman: Iwatsuki et al. (2013); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2010): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, Madagascar, and western Mascarenes east to Tuamotu Archipelago and Marquesas Islands, north to southern Japan and Ogasawara Islands, south to Queensland (Australia) and New Caledonia and Lord Howe Island; eastern Pacific: Isla Darwin (Galapagos Islands, Ecuador).

Remarks: Taxonomic decision of Randall (1987).

874. *Acanthurus monroviae* Steindachner 1876-Monrovia doctorfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2010): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Western Atlantic: Brazil, possibly a waif; Mediterranean Sea; eastern Atlantic: Morocco south to Angola, including Madeira, São Tomé and Príncipe.

875. *Acanthurus nigricauda* Duncker & Mohr 1929-Epaulette surgeonfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2010): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, Seychelles, Comoros, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Tuamotu Archipelago, north to southern Korea and southern Japan, south to Queensland (Australia) and New Caledonia.

Remarks: Taxonomic decision of Randall (1987).

876. *Acanthurus nigrofuscus* (Forsskal 1775)-Brown surgeonfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1888);

UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: - .

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2010): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; northwestern Indian Ocean: Gulf of Aden, Socotra.

877. *Acanthurus sohal* (Fabricius 1775)-Sohal surgeonfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1888); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan:

Material: BMNH, MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2010): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; northwestern Indian Ocean: Gulf of Aden, Socotra, Gulf of Oman, Persian Gulf. One specimen recorded from Mediterranean Sea, probably an aquarium release.

878. *Acanthurus xanthopterus* Valenciennes 1835-Yellowfin surgeonfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Béarez et al. (2008); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: MNHN (Oman).

IUCN (2010): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-Pacific: coast of East Africa to the Hawaiian Islands and French Polynesia, north to southern Japan, south to the Great Barrier Reef and New Caledonia. Eastern Pacific: lower Gulf of California and Clipperton Island to Panama and the Galapagos Islands

Genus: *Ctenochaetus* Gill 1884

879. *Ctenochaetus binotatus* Randall 1955-Two-spot bristletooth

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Randall (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan:

IUCN (2010): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: South Africa, East Africa, Comoros, Madagascar, and Mauritius (Mascarenes) east to Marshall Islands, Tonga, and Rapa, north to southern Japan, south to Western Australia, southern New South Wales (Australia), and New Caledonia.

Genus: *Naso* Lacepède 1801

880. *Naso brevirostris* (Cuvier 1829)-Spotted unicornfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1889) as *Naseus brevirostris*, Al-Mamry et al. (2016); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2010): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, Seychelles, Comoros, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Galápagos Archipelago (eastern Pacific), north to southern Japan, Ogasawara and Hawaiian Islands, south to Rottneest Island (Western Australia), Sydney (New South Wales, Australia), and Lord Howe Island.

881. *Naso elegans* (Rüppell 1829)-Elegant unicornfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Randall (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan:

IUCN (2010): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indian Ocean: East Africa, KwaZulu-Natal (South Africa), Socotra, Seychelles, Madagascar, and western Mascarenes east to Andaman Sea and western Indonesia.

882. *Naso fageni* Morrow 1954- Horseface unicornfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Jawad & Al-Mamry (2020); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2010): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Socotra, and Aldabra, east to Philippines, south to Kimberley (Western Australia).

883. *Naso hexacanthus* (Bleeker 1855)-Sleek unicornfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Randall (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2010): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Socotra, Seychelles, Madagascar, and western Mascarenes east to Hawaiian Islands, Marquesas Islands, and Ducie (Pitcairn Group), north to southern Korea and Kagoshima Prefecture (southern Japan) and Ogasawara Islands, south to Lord Howe Island and New Caledonia; Clipperton Island in eastern Pacific.

884. *Naso reticulatus* Randall, 2001- Reticulate unicornfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2010): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Indian Ocean and western Pacific: Pakistan, Taiwan, Philippines, and Indonesia.

Genus: *Zebrasoma* Swainson 1839

885. *Zebrasoma xanthurum* (Blyth 1852)-Yellowtail tang

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Randall (2022); Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Acanthurus xanthurus*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2010): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; northwestern Indian Ocean: Gulf of Aden, Socotra, Gulf of Oman, and Persian Gulf to Maldives and Sri Lanka.

Family: Nemipteridae Regan 1913

Genus: *Nemipterus* Swainson, 1839

886. *Nemipterus bipunctatus* (Valenciennes 1830)-Delagoa threadfin bream

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Synagris bleekeri*, Iwatsuki et al. (2013); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indian Ocean: East Africa, Madagascar, Mauritius, and Persian Gulf east to Myanmar, Andaman Sea, and Strait of Malacca.

887. *Nemipterus japonicus* (Bloch 1791)-Japanese threadfin bream

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Russell (1990); Oman: Iwatsuki et al. (2013); UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: MUFS (Oman), LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Socotra, Madagascar, and Persian Gulf east to Philippines, north to southern Japan.

888. *Nemipterus peronii* (Valenciennes 1830)-Notchedfin threadfin bream

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1888) as

Synagris tolur, UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf east to Philippines and Vanuatu, north to Taiwan and China, south to Exmouth Gulf (Western Australia), Queensland (Australia), and New Caledonia.

889. *Nemipterus randalli* Russell 1986-Randall's threadfin bream

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Russell (1990); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; western Indian Ocean: East Africa, Madagascar, and Persian Gulf east to Bay of Bengal, India; Mediterranean Sea (Red Sea immigrant).

890. *Nemipterus zysron* (Bleeker 1856)-Slender threadfin bream

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Madagascar, Seychelles, and Persian Gulf east to Marshall Islands and Fiji, north to Taiwan, south to Dampier Archipelago (Western Australia) and New Caledonia.

Genus: *Parascolopsis* Boulenger 1901

891. *Parascolopsis akatamae* Miyamoto, McMahan & Kaneko 2020-Swallowtail dwarf monocle bream

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Russell (1990); Oman: Russell & Golani (1993) as *P. eriomma* (non Jordan & Richardson 1909); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015) as *P. eriomma* (non Jordan & Richardson 1909).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2023): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: West Pacific: southern Japan, Philippines, and south to northern Sulawesi, Indonesia.

Remarks: This taxon replaces *P. eriomma* (Jordan &

Richardson 1909) in the western Indian Ocean (see Miyamoto et al. 2020).

892. *Parascolopsis aspinosa* (Rao & Rao 1981)-Smooth dwarf monocle bream

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Russell (1990); Oman: Iwatsuki et al. (2013); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indian Ocean: Gulf of Aden and Persian Gulf east to Myanmar and Andaman Sea.

893. *Parascolopsis boesemani* (Rao & Rao 1981)-Redfin dwarf monocle bream

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northern Indian Ocean: Pakistan and India.

894. *Parascolopsis townsendi* Boulenger 1901-Scaly dwarf monocle bream

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Russell & Allen (1984); Oman: Boulenger (1901); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH, FMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Gulf of Aden, Gulf of Oman, Arabian Sea, Pakistan.

Genus: *Scolopsis* Cuvier 1814

895. *Scolopsis bimaculata* Rüppell 1828-Thumbprint monocle bream

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Russell & Allen (1984) as *Scolopsis bimaculatus*; Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Scolopsis bimaculatus*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH, MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indian Ocean: East Africa, Socotra, Persian Gulf, and Madagascar east to Sri Lanka and Bay of Bengal (India).

896. *Scolopsis ghanam* (Fabricius 1775)-Arabian monocle bream

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Russell & Allen (1984); Oman: Boulenger (1888); UAE: -; Iran: -;

Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH, MCZ, MUFS (Oman), NRM (UAE).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Eastern Indian Ocean, western Pacific: Andaman Sea and Cocos-Keeling Islands east to Caroline Islands and New Ireland (Papua New Guinea), north to Kochi Prefecture (Japan), south to northern Australia and New Caledonia.

897. *Scolopsis taeniata* (Cuvier 1830)-Black-streaked monocle bream

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Russell & Allen (1984) as *S. taeniatus*; Oman: Iwatsuki et al. (2013) as *Scolopsis taeniatus*; UAE: **Species anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on zoogeography**; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: MUFS (Oman), NRM (UAE).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; western Indian Ocean: Gulf of Aden, Socotra, Gulf of Oman, and Persian Gulf east to Sri Lanka.

898. *Scolopsis vosmeri* (Bloch 1792)-Whitecheek monocle bream

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Russell & Allen (1984); Oman: Iwatsuki et al. (2013); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Pakistan and India east to western Indonesia, East Malaysia, and Brunei. Other records based on misidentifications.

Family: Lethrinidae Bonaparte 1831

Genus: *Lethrinus* Cuvier 1829

899. *Lethrinus borbonicus* Valenciennes 1830-Snubnose emperor

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Carpenter & Allen (1989); Oman: Iwatsuki et al. (2013); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2018): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea, western Indian Ocean: Persian Gulf, Gulf of Oman, Gulf of Aden, and East Africa to Socotra, Seychelles, Madagascar, Réunion, Mauritius,

and Rodrigues (Mascarenes)

900. *Lethrinus harak* (Fabricius 1775)-Thumbprint emperor

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Socotra, Seychelles, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Marshall Islands, Samoa, and Tonga, north to southern Japan, south to Western Australia, New South Wales (Australia), and New Caledonia.

901. *Lethrinus lentjan* (Lacepède 1802)-Pink ear emperor

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Carpenter & Allen (1989); Oman: Iwatsuki et al. (2013); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Socotra, Seychelles, Madagascar, Mauritius (Mascarenes), and Persian Gulf east to Marshall Islands and Tonga, north to Ryukyu Islands, south to Western Australia, Queensland (Australia), Lord Howe Island, and New Caledonia.

902. *Lethrinus longirostris* Playfair 1867

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1888); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa east to Marshall Islands and Tuamotu Archipelago (French Polynesia), north to southern Kyushu (southern Japan), south to New Caledonia.

903. *Lethrinus mahsena* (Fabricius 1775)

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1888); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2018): Endangered (EN).

Distribution: Red Sea; western Indian Ocean: East Africa, Persian Gulf, Socotra, Aldabra, Seychelles, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Sri Lanka.

904. *Lethrinus microdon* Valenciennes 1830-Smalltooth emperor

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Carpenter & Allen (1989); Oman: Iwatsuki et al. (2013); UAE: -; Iran: -;

Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Seychelles, Madagascar, Mascarenes, and Persian Gulf east to Palau and New Ireland (Papua New Guinea), north to Kyushu (southern Japan), south to Western Australia.

905. *Lethrinus nebulosus* (Forsskal 1775)-Spangled emperor

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Carpenter & Allen (1989); Oman: Iwatsuki et al. (2013); UAE: **Species Anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on Zoogeography**; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: MUFS (Oman), NRM (UAE).

IUCN (2023): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, Seychelles, Madagascar, Mascarenes, and Persian Gulf east to Samoa and Tonga, north to southern Sea of Japan and Ogasawara Islands, south to Cape Pasley (Western Australia), Port Hacking (New South Wales, Australia), Lord Howe Island, and New Caledonia.

906. *Lethrinus obsoletus* (Forsskal 1775)-Orange-striped emperor

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Lethrinus ramak*, Iwatsuki et al. (2013); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH, MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Socotra, and Madagascar east to Wake Atoll, Marshall Islands, and Tuamotu Archipelago, north to Ryukyu Islands, south to Western Australia, New Caledonia, and Tonga.

907. *Lethrinus olivaceus* Valenciennes 1830-Longface emperor

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Carpenter & Allen (1989); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Persian Gulf, and Madagascar east to Marshall and

northern Line Islands and Henderson Island (Pitcairn Group), north to Ryukyu Islands (southern Japan), south to Western Australia and Queensland (Australia).

908. *Lethrinus ornatus* Valenciennes 1830-Ornate emperor

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Eastern Indian Ocean, western Pacific: Sri Lanka, Bangladesh, and Myanmar east to Philippines and New Ireland (Papua New Guinea), north to southern Kyushu (Japan), south to Queensland (Australia).

Genus: *Monotaxis* Anonymous 1830

909. *Monotaxis grandoculis* (Forsskal 1775)-Humpnose big-eye bream

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Persian Gulf, Socotra, Seychelles, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Hawaiian Islands, Line Islands, and Pitcairn Group, north to Amami Islands (southern Japan), south to Western Australia and Queensland (Australia), New Caledonia, Tonga, Austral Islands, and Gambier Islands.

Family: Sparidae Rafinesque 1810

Genus: *Acanthopagrus* Peters 1855

910. *Acanthopagrus arabicus* Iwatsuki 2013-Arabian yellowfin seabream

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Doustadar et al. (2017); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2013): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Persian Gulf and Oman east to Pakistan and India.

911. *Acanthopagrus berda* (Fabricius 1775)-Goldsilk seabream

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Bauchot & Smith (1984); Oman: Iwatsuki et al. (2013); UAE: -; Iran: Koochaknejad et al. (2020); Pakistan: Siddiqui et al.

(2014).

Material: MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2016): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indian Ocean: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, Madagascar, and Persian Gulf east to Malaysia and Singapore.

912. *Acanthopagrus bifasciatus* (Forsskal 1775)-
Twobar seabream

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Bauchot & Smith (1984); Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Chrysophrys bifasciata*; UAE: -; Iran: Koochaknejad et al. (2020); Pakistan: **Species anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on zoogeography.**

Material: BMNH, MUFS (Oman), LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2013): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; western Indian Ocean: Mozambique Channel, Socotra, Persian Gulf, Gulf of Oman, and Iran to Pakistan; Mediterranean Sea (Red Sea immigrant).

913. *Acanthopagrus catenula* (Lacepède, 1801)-
Bridled seabream

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Jawad et al. (2012b), Iwatsuki et al. (2013) as *Acanthopagrus catenura*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Siddiqui et al. (2014).

Material: MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2009): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Western Indian Ocean: Persian Gulf, Socotra and southern Oman to South Africa, Madagascar, Mauritius and Rodriguez.

914. *Acanthopagrus omanensis* Iwatsuki & Heemstra
2010-Black Margined Seabream

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Iwatsuki et al. (2013); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2009): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Oman.

915. *Acanthopagrus sheim* Iwatsuki 2013-Spotted
yellowfin seabream

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Siddiqui et al. (2014).

IUCN (2014): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Persian Gulf and Oman east to Pakistan and western India.

Genus: *Argyrops* Swainson 1839

916. *Argyrops caeruleops* Iwatsuki & Heemstra 2018-
King soldierbream

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Iwatsuki & Heemstra (2018); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Iwatsuki & Heemstra (2018).

Material: MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northern Indian Ocean, from the Gulf of Oman to western Pakistan.

917. *Argyrops flavops* Iwatsuki & Heemstra 2018-
Yellow-snout soldierbream

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Iwatsuki & Heemstra (2018); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Gulf of Oman to Pakistan.

918. *Argyrops spinifer* (Forsskal 1775)-King
soldierbream

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Bauchot & Smith (1984); Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Pagrus ruber*, Boulenger (1889) as *Pagrus spinifer*; UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944) as *Sparus spinifer*; Pakistan: Siddiqui et al. (2014).

Material: BMNH, MUFS (Oman); USNM (Iran); LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indian Ocean: East Africa and Persian Gulf east to western Indonesia

Genus: *Boops* Cuvier 1814

919. *Boops lineatus* (Boulenger 1892)-Striped boga

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Iwatsuki & Heemstra (2022); Oman: Boulenger (1892) as *Box lineatus*, Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH, MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2009): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Yemen to Gulf of Oman

Genus: *Cheimerius* Smith 1938

920. *Cheimerius nufar* (Valenciennes 1830)-Santer
seabream

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Bauchot & Smith (1984); Oman: Iwatsuki et al. (2013); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Siddiqui et al. (2014).

Material: MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2013): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea, western Indian Ocean: East Africa, South Africa (Cape Province northward), Persian Gulf, Madagascar, and western Mascarenes (Réunion, Mauritius) east to Pakistan.

Genus: *Crenidens* Cuvier & Valenciennes 1830

921. *Crenidens indicus* Day 1873

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Iwatsuki et al. (2013) as *Crenidens crenidens indicus*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Siddiqui et al. (2014).

Material: MUFS (Oman), LACM, OS (Pakistan).

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; northwestern Indian Ocean: Persian Gulf east to southern India; Nicobar Islands.

Genus: *Diplodus* Rafinesque 1810

922. *Diplodus capensis* (Smith 1844)-Cape white seabream

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Sargus rondeletii* var. *capensis*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Siddiqui et al. (2014).

Material: BMNH, MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Southeastern Atlantic: Angola to South Africa; southwestern Indian Ocean: South Africa, Madagascar, Mauritius (Mascarenes). Not Oman, India and Pakistan.

923. *Diplodus kotschy* (Steindachner 1876)-One spot seabream

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Bauchot & Smith (1984) as *D. sargus kotschy*; Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Persian Gulf and Oman east to India.

924. *Diplodus omanensis* Bauchot & Bianchi 1984-Oman porgy

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Iwatsuki et al. (2013); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Siddiqui et al. (2014).

Material: MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Socotra, Oman, and Pakistan.

Genus: *Lithognathus* Swainson 1839

925. *Lithognathus mormyrus* (Linnaeus 1758)-Sand steenbras

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan:

Material: MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Mediterranean Sea; Sea of Marmara; Black Sea; eastern Atlantic: Bay of Biscay south to South Africa, including Madeira and Canary Islands; Western Indian Ocean: South Africa north to Mozambique.

Genus: *Pagellus* Valenciennes 1830

926. *Pagellus affinis* Boulenger 1888-Arabian pandora

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1888); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH, MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC)

Distribution: Western Indian Ocean: Somalia, Gulf of Aden, Socotra, and Persian Gulf east to Pakistan and India

Genus: *Rhabdosargus* Fowler 1933

927. *Rhabdosargus haffara* (Fabricius 1775)-Haffara seabream

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Bauchot & Smith (1984); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Siddiqui et al. (2014).

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; western Indian Ocean: East Africa and Madagascar to Persian Gulf; Mediterranean Sea (Red Sea immigrant).

928. *Rhabdosargus sarba* (Fabricius 1775)-Goldlined seabream

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Bauchot & Smith (1984); Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Chrysophrys sarba*; UAE: -; Iran: Koochaknejad et al. (2020);

Pakistan: Siddiqui et al. (2014).

Material: BMNH, MUFS (Oman), NRM (UAE).

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Seychelles, Madagascar, Mascarenes, and Persian Gulf east to Philippines, north to southern Sea of Japan (Korea, Japan), south to Rottnest Island (Western Australia) and Tuross River (New South Wales, Australia).

Genus: *Sparidentex* Munro 1948

929. *Sparidentex belayewi* (Hora & Misra 1943)

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Iwatsuki et al. (2013) as *Sparidentex belayewesi*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2011): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Persian Gulf endemic.

930. *Sparidentex hasta* (Valenciennes 1830)-Sobaity seabream

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Bauchot & Smith (1984); Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Chrysophrys hasta*; UAE: -; Iran: Assadi & Dehghani (1997); Pakistan: Siddiqui et al. (2014).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Western Indian Ocean: Persian Gulf east to India. Ballast water introduction in Perth, Western Australia.

931. *Sparidentex jamalensis* Amir, Siddiqui & Masroor 2014-Fanged seabream

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Siddiqui et al. (2014).

IUCN (2019): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Pakistan east to Kerala (India).

Family: Siganidae Richardson 1837

Genus: *Siganus* Fabricius 1775

932. *Siganus argenteus* (Quoy & Gaimard 1825)-Forktail rabbitfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Woodland (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Socotra, Aldabra, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Wake Atoll and Pitcairn, north to southern Japan and Ogasawara Islands, south to Western Australia, Queensland (Australia), New Caledonia, and Rapa; eastern Mediterranean Sea (Red Sea immigrant).

933. *Siganus canaliculatus* (Park 1797)-White-spotted spinefoot

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Woodland (1984b); Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Teuthis oramin*, Woodland (1990); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH, MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf east to Palau, Yap, and New Ireland (Papua New Guinea), north to Ryukyu Islands, south to northern Australia.

934. *Siganus javus* (Linnaeus 1766)-Streaked spinefoot

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Woodland (1984b); Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Teuthis javus*, Woodland (1990); UAE: -; Iran: Woodland (1990); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf east to Vanuatu, north to southern China, south to northern Australia.

935. *Siganus luridus* (Rüppell 1829)-Dusky spinefoot

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Woodland (2022); Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: USNM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; western Indian Ocean: East Africa and Persian Gulf to Comoro Islands and Madagascar, Réunion and Mauritius (western Mascarenes); Mediterranean Sea (Red Sea immigrant).

936. *Siganus rivulatus* Forsskal & Niebuhr 1775 -Marbled spinefoot

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Woodland (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; western Indian Ocean: East Africa, Socotra, Persian Gulf; Mediterranean Sea and Sea of Marmara (Red Sea immigrant).

Family: Scatophagidae Gill 1883

Genus: *Scatophagus* Cuvier & Valenciennes 1831

937. *Scatophagus argus* (Linnaeus 1766)-Spotted scat

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Koochaknejad et al. (2020); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf east to Society Islands (French Polynesia), north to Korea and central Japan, south to northern Australia and New Caledonia.

Family: Cepolidae Rafinesque 1810

Genus: *Acanthocephala* Bleeker 1874

938. *Acanthocephala abbreviata* (Valenciennes 1835)-Bandfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: Alavi-Yeganeh & Kishipourik (2025); **Species anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on zoogeography;** Pakistan: -.

Material: CMN (Iran).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf and Gulf of Oman east to Papua New Guinea, north to northern Vietnam and Philippines, south to northern Australia.

Family: Priacanthidae Günther 1859

Genus: *Cookeolus* Fowler 1928

939. *Cookeolus japonicus* (Cuvier 1829)-Longfinned bullseye

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2013): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Southern Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: Gulf of Aden, Persian Gulf, Socotra, and Seychelles east to Philippines and Samoa, south to Western Australia and Queensland (Australia).

Genus: *Priacanthus* Oken 1817

940. *Priacanthus hamrur* (Fabricius 1775)-Moontail bullseye

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Southern Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: Gulf of Aden, Persian Gulf, Socotra and Seychelles east to Philippines and Samoa, south to Western Australia and Queensland (Australia).

941. *Priacanthus prolixus* Starnes 1988-Elongate bulleye

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: [Red Sea], northern Indian Ocean: Somalia east to West Bengal (India) and Myanmar; Mediterranean Sea (Red Sea immigrant).

942. *Priacanthus sagittarius* Starnes 1988-Arrow bulleye

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: Réunion (Mascarenes) east to Philippines and Samoa, north to Shizuoka Prefecture (Japan), south to Western Australia and New Caledonia; eastern Mediterranean Sea (Red Sea immigrant).

Order: Centrarchiformes

Family: Kyphosidae Jordan 1887

Genus: *Kyphosus* Lacepède 1801

943. *Kyphosus bigibbus* Lacepède 1801-Brown chub

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1892) as *Pimelepterus fuscus*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2014): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Western Atlantic: including Caribbean Sea; eastern Atlantic; Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, Seychelles, Comoros, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Indonesia, north to Korea and central Japan, south to Australia, northern New Zealand and Kermadec Islands.

944. *Kyphosus cinerascens* (Forsskål 1775)-Highfin chub

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Heemstra (2022f); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2014): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Western Atlantic: Belize and Saint Eustatius south to Brazil, including Caribbean Sea; Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Persian Gulf, Socotra, Aldabra, Comoros, Madagascar and Mascarenes east to Hawaiian Islands (U.S.A.), Line Islands and Easter Island, north to southern Korea and southern Japan, south to Western Australia, Lord Howe Island, New Caledonia, Kermadec Islands and Austral Islands (French Polynesia).

945. *Kyphosus vaigiensis* (Quoy & Gaimard 1825)-Brassy chub

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Heemstra (2022f); Oman: Iwatsuki et al. (2013); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2014): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Western Atlantic: including Caribbean Sea; western Mediterranean Sea; eastern Atlantic: including São Tomé and Príncipe; Red Sea; Indo-Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, Madagascar and Réunion (Mascarenes) east to Hawaiian Islands, Line Islands and Marquesas Islands, north to Korea and Kagoshima Prefecture (southern Japan), south to Western Australia, New South Wales (Australia), northern New Zealand, Kermadec Islands, Tonga and Rapa; eastern Pacific.

Family: *Kuhliidae* Jordan & Evermann 1896

Genus: *Kuhlia* Gill, 1861

946. *Kuhlia mugil* (Forster 1801)-Barred flagtail

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Heemstra (2022f); Oman: Iwatsuki et al. (2013); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2011): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, Madagascar and Mascarenes east to Panama, north to southern Korea and southern Japan, south to Western Australia, Lord Howe Island, Kermadec Islands and Rapa; absent from Easter Island, Pitcairn Group, Marquesas and Hawaiian

Islands; eastern Pacific: Pacific coast of southern Baja California Sur (Mexico) south to Colombia, including Clipperton Island (France) and Galapagos Islands (Ecuador).

Family: *Terapontidae* Richardson 1842

Genus: *Pelates* Cuvier 1829

947. *Pelates quadrilineatus* (Bloch 1790)-Fourlined terapon

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2022): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Madagascar, Mauritius (Mascarenes) and Persian Gulf east to Philippines, New Ireland (Papua New Guinea) and Vanuatu, north to southern Japan, south to Western Australia and southeastern Queensland (Australia); Mediterranean Sea (Red Sea immigrant).

Genus: *Terapon* Cuvier 1816

948. *Terapon jarbua* (Fabricius 1775)-Jarbua terapon

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Therapon jarbua*; UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944) as *Therapon jarbua*; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH, MCZ, MUFS (Oman), LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2016): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Socotra, Madagascar, western Mascarenes (now extinct in Réunion) and Persian Gulf east to Palau, Samoa and Tonga, north to southern Korea and central Japan, south to Western Australia, New South Wales (Australia); Mediterranean Sea (immigrant through Suez Canal)

949. *Terapon puta* Cuvier 1829-Small-scaled terapon

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: **Species anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on zoogeography**; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: NRM (UAE).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Madagascar, and Persian Gulf east to Philippines,

south to Western Australia and Queensland (Australia); Mediterranean Sea (Red Sea immigrant)

950. *Terapon theraps* Cuvier 1829- Largescaled terapon

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2011): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Madagascar, and Persian Gulf east to Philippines and Rotuma, south to Western Australia and Queensland (Australia), and New Caledonia, north to Korea and central Japan; Mediterranean Sea (immigrant through Suez Canal).

Family: Cirrhitidae Macleay 1841

Genus: *Cirrhitichthys* Bleeker 1857

951. *Cirrhitichthys calliurus* Regan, 1905-Spottedtail hawkfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Donaldson & Randall (2022); Oman: Regan (1905); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2023): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Gulf of Aden, Socotra, Gulf of Oman.

952. *Cirrhitichthys oxycephalus* (Bleeker 1855)-Coral hawkfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Donaldson & Randall (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-Pacific: East Africa, Socotra, and Madagascar east to Hawaiian Islands (U.S.A.), north to Japan, south to Australia, New Caledonia and Tonga; eastern Pacific: southern tip of Baja California Sur (Mexico) south to Ecuador, including Revillagigedo Islands (Mexico), Clipperton Island (France), and Galapagos Islands (Ecuador).

953. *Cirrhitus spilotoceps* Schultz 1950-Coral hawkfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Donaldson & Randall (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Red Sea, northwestern Indian Ocean: Socotra, Gulf of Oman.

Order: Labriformes

Family: Labridae Cuvier 1816

Genus: *Bodianus* Bloch, 1790

954. *Bodianus diana* (Lacepède 1801)-Diana's hogfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2008): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indian Ocean: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, Seychelles, Comoros, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Nicobar Islands, Christmas Islands, and Cocos-Keeling Islands and Sumatra (Indonesia).

955. *Bodianus macrognathos* (Morris, 1974)-Giant hogfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Randall & Victor (2022a); Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BPBM (Oman).

IUCN (2008): Least Concern (LC).

Distributions: Western Indian Ocean: East Africa, Socotra, Gulf of Oman, and Persian Gulf east to Pakistan.

Genus: *Cheilinus* Lacépède, 1801

956. *Cheilinus lunulatus* (Forsskal, 1775)-Broomtail wrasse

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Randall & Victor (2022a); Oman: Boulenger (1888); UAE: -; Iran: Assadi & Dehghani (1997); Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH, MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2008): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; northwestern Indian Ocean: Socotra, Gulf of Oman, Persian Gulf.

Genus: *Coris* Lacépède, 1801

957. *Coris caudimacula* (Quoy & Gaimard 1834)-Spottail coris

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BPBM (Oman).

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indian Ocean: East Africa,

South Africa, Socotra, Seychelles, Comoros, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to western Indonesia and northwestern Australia (south to Shark Bay).

958. *Coris formosa* (Bennett 1830)-Queen coris

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Iwatsuki et al. (2013); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indian Ocean: South Africa, East Africa, Socotra, Seychelles, Comoros, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to western Indonesia.

959. *Coris nigrotaenia* Mee & Hare 1995-Blackbar coris

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Randall & Victor (2022); Oman: Mee & Hare (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2009): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Persian Gulf to southern Oman.

Genus: *Chlorurus* Swainson 1839

960. *Chlorurus sordidus* (Forsskal 1775)-Daisy parrotfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Bruce & Randall (1984) as *Scarus sordidus*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indian Ocean: East Africa, South Africa, Persian Gulf, Socotra, Seychelles, Comoros, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Bali (Indonesia).

961. *Chlorurus strongylocephalus* (Bleeker 1855)-Roundhead parrotfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Randall & Victor (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indian Ocean: East Africa, Socotra, Seychelles, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Myanmar and Indonesia.

Genus: *Gomphosus* Lacépède 1801

962. *Gomphosus caeruleus* Lacépède 1801-Green

birdmouth wrasse

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Randall & Victor (2022a); Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2008): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indian Ocean: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Andaman Sea and western Indonesia. Red Sea records are based on *G. klunzingeri*.

Genus: *Halichoeres* Rüppell, 1835

963. *Halichoeres cosmetus* Randall & Smith 1982-Adorned wrasse

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Randall & Victor (2022a); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2010): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indian Ocean: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, Seychelles, Comoros, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Thailand and western Indonesia.

964. *Halichoeres iridis* Randall & Smith 1982

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea, western Indian Ocean: East Africa, South Africa to Socotra, Seychelles, Madagascar, west Mascarenes, and Chagos Archipelago.

965. *Halichoeres marginatus* Rüppell, 1835-Dusky wrasse

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Randall & Victor (2022); Oman: Boulenger (1889) as *PlatyGLOSSUS marginatus*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: Socotra, Persian Gulf and Gulf of Oman east to French Polynesia and Pitcairn Island, north to Japan, south to northern Australia (but possibly restricted to the Red Sea).

966. *Halichoeres nigrescens* (Bloch & Schneider, 1801)-Bubblefin wrasse

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Randall & Victor (2022a) as *H. dussumieri*; Oman: Randall (1995) as *H. dussumieri*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: - **Species Anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on**

Zoogeography.**Material:** ANSP (Pakistan).**IUCN (2008):** Least Concern (LC).**Distribution:** Indo-West Pacific: South Africa, East Africa, Socotra, Madagascar, and Persian Gulf east to Indonesia, north to Taiwan, south to northern Australia.**967. *Halichoeres stigmaticus*** Randall & Smith 1982- U-spot wrasse**Status in Gulf of Oman:** General: Randall & Victor (2022a); Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.**IUCN (2009):** Least Concern (LC).**Distribution:** Northwestern Indian Ocean: Persian Gulf and Gulf of Oman.**Genus: *Iniistius*** Gill 1862**968. *Iniistius pavo*** (Valenciennes 1840)-Peacock wrasse**Status in Gulf of Oman:** Oman: Jawad et al. (2014b); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.**IUCN (2009):** Least Concern (LC).**Distribution:** Red Sea; Indo-Pacific: East Africa and KwaZulu-Natal (South Africa), Seychelles, Madagascar and western Mascarenes east to Hawaiian Islands (U.S.A.), north to central Japan, Ogasawara Islands and Hawaiian Islands, south to Rottnest Island (Western Australia), Montague Island (New South Wales, Australia), Lord Howe Island, northern New Zealand, Kermadec and Society islands; eastern Pacific: Pacific coast of central Baja California (Mexico) south to Panama, including southwestern and central east Gulf of California (Mexico) and Galapagos Islands (Ecuador); Mediterranean Sea (Red Sea immigrant).**Genus: *Labroides*** Bleeker 1851**969. *Labroides dimidiatus*** (Valenciennes 1839)-Bluestreak cleaner wrasse**Status in Gulf of Oman:** Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.**IUCN (2008):** Least Concern (LC).**Distribution:** Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Persian Gulf, Socotra, Seychelles,

Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Wake Atoll and Pitcairn Group, north to central Japan, south to Rottnest Island (Western Australia), Merimbula (New South Wales, Australia), Lord Howe Island, and Rapa.

Genus: *Leptojulis* Bleeker 1862**970. *Leptojulis cyanopleura*** (Bleeker 1853)-Shoulder-spot wrasse**Status in Gulf of Oman:** General: Randall & Victor (2022a); Oman: Randall & Ferraris (1981); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.**Material:** BPBM (Oman).**IUCN (2009):** Least Concern (LC).**Distribution:** Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf east to Philippines, New Ireland (Papua New Guinea), and Solomon Islands, south to northern Australia.**Genus: *Oxycheilinus*** Gill 1862**971. *Oxycheilinus bimaculatus*** (Valenciennes 1840)-Two-spot wrasse**Status in Gulf of Oman:** Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.**IUCN (2008):** Least Concern (LC).**Distribution:** Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Socotra, Seychelles, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Hawaiian Islands, north to central Japan, south to Lord Howe Island and New Caledonia, and Marquesas Islands.**Genus: *Paracheilinus*** Fourmanoir 1955**972. *Paracheilinus mccoskeri*** Randall & Harmelin-Vivien 1977-McCosker's flasher**Status in Gulf of Oman:** Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.**IUCN (2009):** Least Concern (LC).**Distribution:** Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Persian Gulf, and Comoro Islands east to Fiji.**Genus: *Pteragogus*** Peters 1855**973. *Pteragogus flagellifer*** (Valenciennes 1839)-Cocktail wrasse**Status in Gulf of Oman:** Oman: Regan (1905) as *Duymaeria flagellifera*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.**Material:** BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2022): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, KwaZulu-Natal (South Africa), Persian Gulf, Socotra, Madagascar, and Mauritius (Mascarenes) east to New Guinea and Vanuatu, north to southern Korea and Ryukyu Islands (Japan), south to northern Western Australia, Queensland (Australia), and New Caledonia.

Genus: *Scarus* Forsskål 1775

974. *Scarus arabicus* (Steindachner 1902)-Arabian parrotfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Randall (2022); Oman: Bruce & Randall (1984); UAE: **Species Anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on Zoogeography;** Iran: -; Pakistan: - .

Material: NRM (UAE).

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Western Indian Ocean.

975. *Scarus ferrugineus* Forsskål 1775-Rusty parrotfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; northwestern Indian Ocean: Gulf of Aden, Socotra, and Gulf of Oman to Persian Gulf.

976. *Scarus fuscopurpureus* (Klunzinger 1871)-Purple-brown parrotfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Bruce & Randall (1984); UAE: -; Iran: Assadi & Dehghani (1997); Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea, northwestern Indian Ocean: Somalia, Socotra, Persian Gulf.

977. *Scarus ghobban* Fabricius 1775- Blue-barred parrotfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Pseudoscarus dussumieri*, Boulenger (1889) as *Pseudoscarus ghobban*; UAE: -; Iran: Assadi & Dehghani (1997); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, Seychelles, Comoros,

Madagascar, Mascarenes and Persian Gulf east to Hawaiian Islands (U.S.A.), north to Amami Islands (southern Japan) and Ogasawara Islands, south to Rottneest Island (Western Australia), New South Wales (Australia), Lord Howe Island, northern New Zealand, Kermadec Islands and Rapa; eastern Pacific: southern tip of Baja California Sur (Mexico) south to Ecuador, including Gulf of California (Mexico) and Galapagos Islands (Ecuador); Mediterranean Sea (Red Sea immigrant).

978. *Scarus persicus* Randall & Bruce 1983-Gulf parrotfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Randall (2022); Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -. (Bruce and Randall, 1984)

Material: MUFS (Oman).

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: southern Oman to Persian Gulf.

979. *Scarus rubroviolaceus* Bleeker 1847-Ember parrotfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea, Indo-Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, Seychelles, Madagascar and Mascarenes (Mauritius, Rodrigues) east to Hawaiian Islands (U.S.A.), north to southern Japan, south to Western Australia, Queensland (Australia), Middleton Reef, New Caledonia and Tonga; eastern Pacific: southern tip of Baja California Sur (Mexico) south to Ecuador, including southern Gulf of California (Mexico) and Galapagos Islands (Ecuador).

980. *Scarus zufar* Randall & Hoover 1995-Dhofar parrotfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2009): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Northern Indian Ocean: Oman east to Pakistan; Bangladesh.

Genus: *Stethojulis* Günther 1861

981. *Stethojulis interrupta* (Bleeker 1851)-Cutribbon wrasse

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1889); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BPBM (Oman).

IUCN (2008): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea, Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Persian Gulf, Socotra, and Madagascar east to Philippines, New Ireland (Papua New Guinea), and Solomon Islands, north to southern Japan, south to Rottnest Island (Western Australia) and Montague Island (New South Wales, Australia).

Genus: *Thalassoma* Swainson, 1839

982. *Thalassoma loxum* Randall & Mee, 1994

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Randall & Victor (2022a); Oman: Randall & Mee (1994b); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BPBM (Oman).

IUCN (2009): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Socotra, Oman.

983. *Thalassoma lunare* (Linnaeus 1758)-Moon wrasse

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1889) as *Julis lunaris*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2008): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Socotra, Madagascar and Persian Gulf east to Line Islands, Tuamotu Archipelago and Gambier Islands, north to Korea and central Japan, south to Rottnest Island (Western Australia), New South Wales (Australia), New Caledonia, Lord Howe, Norfolk and Kermadec Islands, northern New Zealand, and Tonga.

Family: Uranoscopidae Jordan & Evermann 1898

Genus: *Uranoscopus* Linnaeus 1758

984. *Uranoscopus dollfusi* Brüss 1987-Dollfus' stargazer

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Arnold (2022); Oman: Randall (1995) as *Uranoscopus dollfusi*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Red Sea; northwestern Indian Ocean: Gulf of Oman, Persian Gulf.

Family: Pinguipedidae Günther 1860

Genus: *Parapercis* Bleeker, 1863

985. *Parapercis alboguttata* (Günther 1872)-Whitespot sandsmelt

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Schultz (1968); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH, MUFS, USNM (Oman).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Madagascar and Persian Gulf east to Philippines, north to South China Sea, south to northwestern Australia.

986. *Parapercis maculata* (Bloch & Schneider 1801)

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2022): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Persian Gulf, Comoros, Madagascar, and Réunion (Mascarenes) east to Indonesia, north to southern Japan.

987. *Parapercis robinsoni* Fowler 1929-Smallscale grubfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Donaldson (2022); Oman: Randall & Stroud (1985); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2022): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Western Indian Ocean: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, Seychelles, Madagascar, and Réunion (western Mascarenes) and Persian Gulf east to Pakistan.

Order: Acropomatiformes

Family: Acropomatidae Gill 1893

Genus: *Acropoma* Temminck & Schlegel 1843

988. *Acropoma splendens* (Lloyd 1909)

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Lloyd (1909) as *Synagrops splendens*, Norman (1939) as *Acropoma japonicum* (non Günther 1859); UAE: -; Iran: Jafari-Patcan et al. (2018) as *Acropoma japonicum* [sic] (non Günther 1859); Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH, ZSI (Oman).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Northern Indian Ocean: Gulf of Aden, Gulf of Oman and Persian Gulf, Arabian Sea east to Bay of Bengal, India, Myanmar, and Andaman Sea,

Thailand.

Family: Symphysanodontidae Katayama 1984

Genus: *Symphysanodon* Bleeker 1878

989. *Symphysanodon andersoni* Kotthaus 1974

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Jawad & Al-Jufaili (2021); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan -.

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Northwestern Indian Ocean: Gulf of Aden, east to Oman.

Family: Epigonidae Poey 1861

Genus: *Epigonus* Rafinesque 1810

990. *Epigonus telescopus* (Risso 1810)-Black cardinal fish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1889) as *Pomatomus telescopium*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2012): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Circumglobal, antitropical (including Mediterranean Sea).

Family: Pempheridae Bleeker 1859

Genus: *Pempheris* Cuvier, 1829

991. *Pempheris darvelli* Randall & Victor 2014-Jissah sweeper

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Randall & Victor (2022b); Oman: Randall & Victor (2014); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Oman.

992. *Pempheris kuriamaria* Randall & Victor 2015-Oman sweeper

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Randall & Victor (2015); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Gulf of Oman.

993. *Pempheris malabarica* Cuvier 1831

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Oman and Pakistan east to Thailand and Cambodia.

994. *Pempheris muscat* Randall & Victor 2015-

Muscat sweeper

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Randall & Victor (2022b); Oman: Randall & Victor (2015); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Gulf of Oman.

995. *Pempheris russellii* Day 1888- Indian sweeper

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Pakistan.

996. *Pempheris wilsoni* Randall & Victor 2015-Fahal sweeper

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Randall & Victor (2022b); Oman: Randall & Victor (2015); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: CAS (Oman).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Gulf of Oman.

Family: Champsodontidae Jordan & Snyder 1902

Genus: *Champsodon* Günther 1867

997. *Champsodon omanensis* Regan 1908

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Smith-Vaniz (2022); Oman: Regan (1908); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: (Nemeth 1994)

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Red Sea, northwestern Indian Ocean: Oman to Pakistan.

Family: Pentacerotidae Bleeker 1859

Genus: *Histioporus* Temminck & Schlegel 1844

998. *Histioporus typus* Temminck & Schlegel 1844-Sailfin armourhead

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Heemstra (2022g); Oman: Boulenger (1892); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Gulf of Aden, Socotra, Comoro Islands, Réunion (western Mascarenes), and Persian Gulf east to Philippines and New Ireland (Papua New Guinea),

north to Korea and central Japan, south to northern Australia.

Family: Synagropidae

Genus: *Parascombrops* Alcock 1889

999. *Parascombrops pellucidus* Alcock 1889-Blackmouth splitfin

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Regan (1905) as *Synagrops philippinensis* (non Günther 1880), Schwarzhans & Prokofiev (2017); UAE: -; Iran: **Species Anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on Zoogeography;** Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman), USNM (Iran).

IUCN (2013): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Northern Indian Ocean: Somalia to Gulf of Aden and Gulf of Oman; Andaman Sea off Thailand.

Order: Lophiiformes

Family: Lophiidae Rafinesque 1810

Genus: *Lophiomus* Gill 1883

1000. *Lophiomus setigerus* (Vahl 1797)-Blackmouth angler

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, and Persian Gulf east to Marshall Islands and Fiji, north to Sea of Japan (Korea and Japan), south to Shark Bay (Western Australia), New South Wales (Australia), and New Caledonia; eastern Pacific: Pacific coast of Baja California Sur (Mexico).

Family: Ogcocephalidae Jordan 1895

Genus: *Haliutaea* Valenciennes 1837

1001. *Haliutaea indica* Annandale & Jenkins 1910-Indian handfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Owfi et al. (2021); Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2019): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Southern Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: South Africa, East Africa, Seychelles, and Madagascar east to Philippines and Papua New Guinea, north to southern Japan, south to northern

Australia.

Family: Antennariidae Gill 1863

Genus: *Abantennarius* Schultz 1957

1002. *Abantennarius coccineus* (Lesson 1831)-Scarlet frogfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Arnold & Pietsch (2022) as *Antennarius coccineus*; Oman: Jawad & Al-Mamry (2009) as *Antennarius coccineus*, Pietsch & Arnold (2020); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2021): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-Pacific: East Africa, Seychelles, Comoros, Madagascar and Mascarenes east to Hawaiian Islands, Pitcairn and Easter Island, north to Sea of Japan, south to Western Australia, Lord Howe Island and New Caledonia; eastern Pacific: southern Baja California Sur (Mexico) south to Chile, including Cocos Island (Costa Rica) and Desaventurados Islands (Chile); presence at Galapagos Islands (Ecuador) questionable.

1003. *Abantennarius nummifer* (Cuvier 1817)-Spotfin frogfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Pietsch & Arnold (2020); UAE: -; Iran: Pietsch & Grobecker (1987); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman); BMNH (Iran).

IUCN (2014): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Southern-central Atlantic: Saint Helena; eastern Atlantic: Azores, Madeira, Canary Islands, Cape Verde Islands; Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Persian Gulf, Comoros, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Hawaiian Islands and Society Islands, north to Sea of Japan, south to Rottneest Island (Western Australia) and northern New Zealand.

Genus: *Antennarius* Daudin 1816

1004. *Antennarius hispidus* (Bloch & Schneider 1801)-Shaggy angler

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2021): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: South Africa, East Africa, Madagascar, and western Mascarenes east to Indonesia, Samoa, and Tonga, north to southern

Korea, south to Western Australia, Manly Bay (New South Wales, Australia), and Loyalty Islands (New Caledonia).

Order: Tetraodontiformes

Family: Triacanthidae Bleeker 1859

Genus: *Pseudotriacanthus* Fraser-Brunner 1941

1005. *Pseudotriacanthus strigilifer* (Cantor 1849)-Long-spined tripodfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Matsuura (2022); Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Triacanthus strigilifer*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2023): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf and Gulf of Oman east to Indonesia and Philippines.

Genus: *Triacanthus* Oken 1817

1006. *Triacanthus biaculeatus* (Bloch 1786)-Short-nosed tripodfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944) as *Triacanthus indicus*; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: LACM (Pakistan) (NE).

IUCN (2023): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Persian Gulf and Mauritius (Mascarenes) east to Philippines, north to central Japan, south to Western Australia and Queensland (Australia).

1007. *Triacanthus nieuhofii* Bleeker 1852-Silver tripodfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Pakistan and India east to Indonesia, north to South China Sea, south to northwestern Australia.

Family: Molidae Bonaparte 1832

Genus: *Masturus* Gill 1884

1008. *Masturus lanceolatus* (Liénard 1840)-Sharptail mola

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Jawad et al. (2013); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2011): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Circumglobal: In tropical to subtropical waters.

Genus: *Mola* Kölreuter 1766

1009. *Mola mola* (Linnaeus, 1758) - Ocean sunfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Jawad (2013); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2011): Vulnerable (VU).

Distribution: Circumglobal; tropical and temperate zones of all oceans.

Genus: *Ranzania* Nardo 1840

1010. *Ranzania laevis* (Pennant 1776) - Slender sunfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Jawad et al. (2010); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2011): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Circumglobal.

Family: Diodontidae Bonaparte 1838

Genus: *Cyclichthys* Kaup 1855

1011. *Cyclichthys orbicularis* (Bloch 1785)-Birdbeak burrfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Leis (1984) as *Chilomycterus orbicularis*; Oman: Boulenger (1889) as *Chilomycterus orbicularis*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2023): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Persian Gulf, Socotra, Madagascar, and western Mascarenes east to Philippines, north to southern Korea and central Japan, south to New Caledonia and Lord Howe Island.

1012. *Cyclichthys spilostylus* (Leis & Randall 1982)-Spotbase burrfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1889) as *Chilomycterus echinatus* (non Linnaeus 1758), Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, and Réunion (Mascarenes) east to Philippines, north to central Japan, south to

Australia and New Caledonia; eastern Pacific (Galápagos Islands); Mediterranean Sea (Red Sea immigrant).

Genus: *Diodon* Linnaeus 1758

1013. *Diodon holacanthus* Linnaeus 1758-Longspined porcupinefish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Leis (1984) as *Diodon holacanthus*; Oman: Randall (1995) as *Diodon holacanthus*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015) as *Diodon holacanthus*.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2011): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical and warm temperate seas (including Gulf of Mexico, Caribbean Sea, Red Sea, Sea of Japan, Gulf of California/Mexico).

1014. *Diodon hystrix* Linnaeus 1758-Spot-fin porcupinefish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1889); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman); USNM (Iran); USNM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2011): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical and warm temperate seas (including Gulf of Mexico, Caribbean Sea, western Mediterranean Sea, Red Sea, Persian Gulf, Sea of Japan, Gulf of California/Mexico).

Family: Tetraodontidae Bonaparte 1832

Genus: *Arothron* Müller 1841- White-spotted puffer

1015. *Arothron hispidus* (Linnaeus 1758)

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Tetrodon hispidus*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2011): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, Seychelles, Madagascar and western Mascarenes east to Hawaiian Islands (U.S.A.), north to southern Korea, central Japan and Ogasawara Islands, south to Rottneest Island (Western Australia), New Caledonia, Lord Howe Island and Rapa; eastern Pacific: Pacific coast of northern Baja California (Mexico) south to Ecuador, including Gulf of California (Mexico), Cocos Island (Costa Rica) and

Galapagos Islands (Ecuador).

1016. *Arothron immaculatus* (Bloch & Schneider 1801)

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: MCZ (Oman).

IUCN (2011): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Seychelles, Comoros, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Philippines, north to Taiwan and Ryukyu Islands, south to northern Australia.

1017. *Arothron nigropunctatus* (Bloch & Schneider 1801)

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2011): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, Seychelles, Comoros, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Line Islands and Tuamotu Archipelago, north to southern Japan and Ogasawara Islands, south to northern Australia and New Caledonia.

1018. *Arothron stellatus* (Anonymous 1798)-Stellate puffer

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Matsuura (2022); Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Tetrodon stellatus*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2011): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Persian Gulf, Socotra, Seychelles, Comoros, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Tuamotu Archipelago, north to southern Korea, Chiba Prefecture (central Japan), and Ogasawara Islands, south to Lord Howe Island and northern New Zealand.

Genus: *Canthigaster* Swainson 1839

1019. *Canthigaster petersii* (Bianconi 1854)-False-eye toby

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Matsuura (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2014): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indian Ocean: East Africa, Socotra, Madagascar, and western Mascarenes east to southern

India, Andaman Islands, and Myanmar.

1020. *Canthigaster solandri* (Richardson 1844)-
Spotted sharpnose

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2011): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Mozambique Channel, western Mascarenes east to Hawaiian Islands and Tuamotu Archipelago, north to Ryukyu Islands, mainland China, Taiwan, south to New Caledonia.

1021. *Canthigaster valentini* (Bleeker 1853)-
Valentin's sharpnose puffer

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Matsuura (2022); Oman: Boulenger (1889) as *Tetrodon valentini*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2011): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, Seychelles, Comoros, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Tuamotu Archipelago, north to South Korea, southern Japan, and Ogasawara Islands, south to Australia and Lord Howe Island; waifs reaching Galápagos Archipelago (eastern Pacific).

Genus: *Chelonodon* Swainson 1839

1022. *Chelonodon patoca* (Hamilton 1822)-
Milkspotted puffer

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -
Species Anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on Zoogeography; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: USNM (Iran); LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2020): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Madagascar, Persian Gulf, India, and Sri Lanka east to French Polynesia, north to southern Japan, south to northern Australia and New Caledonia.

Genus: *Lagocephalus* Swainson 1839

1023. *Lagocephalus guentheri* Miranda Ribeiro 1915-
Diamondback puffer

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Matsuura (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2011): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: South Africa, Madagascar, and Persian Gulf east to Indonesia, north to southern Japan, south to northern Australia; Mediterranean Sea and Sea of Marmara (Red Sea immigrant).

1024. *Lagocephalus inermis* (Temminck & Schlegel 1850)-Smooth blaasop

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: ANSP (Iran).

IUCN (2011): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: South Africa, East Africa, Persian Gulf, and Madagascar east to Philippines and New Guinea, north to Korea and central Japan, south to northern Australia.

1025. *Lagocephalus lagocephalus* (Linnaeus 1758)-
Oceanic puffer

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2011): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical and temperate seas (including Mediterranean Sea, Sea of Japan, Gulf of California/Mexico).

1026. *Lagocephalus lunaris* (Bloch & Schneider 1801)-Lunartail puffer

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Matsuura (2022); Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944) as *Spheroides lunaris*; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2011): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, Madagascar, Mauritius (Mascarenes), and Persian Gulf east to Indonesia, north to South China Sea, south to northern Australia.

1027. *Lagocephalus scleratus* (Gmelin 1789)-Silver-cheeked toadfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Jawad & Al-Hassan (2013); UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944); Pakistan: -.

IUCN (2011): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, Persian Gulf, Socotra, Seychelles, Madagascar, and

western Mascarenes east to Philippines, north to central Japan, south to Kimberley (Western Australia), Queensland (Australia), and New Caledonia; Mediterranean Sea and Sea of Marmara (Red Sea immigrant).

1028. *Lagocephalus spadiceus* (Richardson 1845)- Half-smooth golden pufferfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: ANSP (Iran), LACM (Pakistan).

IUCN (2011): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Persian Gulf, and Madagascar east to Taiwan, north to Korea and central Japan, south to northern Australia.

Genus: *Takifugu* Abe 1949

1029. *Takifugu oblongus* (Bloch 1786) - Lattice blaasop

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Jawad & Pitassy (2015); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2011): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: South Africa to Indonesia, north to Japan, south to Australia.

Family: Ostraciidae Rafinesque 1810

Genus: *Lactoria* Jordan & Fowler 1902

1030. *Lactoria cornuta* (Linnaeus 1758)-Longhorn cowfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Heemstra (2022j); Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Ostracion cornutus*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2023): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Southern Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Seychelles, Madagascar, and western Mascarenes east to Marquesas Islands and Tuamotu Archipelago, north to southern Korea, central Japan, and Ogasawara Islands, south to Lord Howe Island.

Genus: *Ostracion* Linnaeus, 1758

1031. *Ostracion cubicum* Linnaeus 1758- Yellow

boxfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Heemstra (2022j); Oman: Boulenger (1888); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2023): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, Seychelles, Comoros, Madagascar, Mascarenes, and Persian Gulf east to Tuamotu Archipelago, north to Korea, central Japan, and Ogasawara Islands, south to Lord Howe Island, northern New Zealand, Kermadec Islands, and Rapa; straying to Hawaiian Islands; Red Sea migrant in eastern Mediterranean Sea.

1032. *Ostracion cyanurus* Rüppell 1828-Bluetail trunkfish- Bluetail trunkfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1888); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2025): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Red Sea, northwestern Indian Ocean: Gulf of Aden, Socotra, Gulf of Oman, Persian Gulf.

1033. *Ostracion rhinorhynchus* Bleeker 1851

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2023): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: Pakistan and Sri Lanka east to Philippines and Palau, north to central Japan, south to northern Australia.

Family: Monacanthidae Nardo 1843

Genus: *Aluterus* Cloquet 1816

1034. *Aluterus monoceros* (Linnaeus 1758)-Unicorn leatherjacket filefish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Hutchins (1984b); Oman: Boulenger (1889) as *Monacanthus monoceros*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2014): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical and subtropical seas (including Gulf of Mexico, Caribbean Sea, Mediterranean Sea, Red Sea, Persian Gulf, South China Sea, Sea of Japan, Gulf of California/Mexico).

1035. *Aluterus scriptus* (Osbeck 1765)-Scribbled leatherjacket filefish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2014): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical and subtropical seas (including Gulf of Mexico, Caribbean Sea, Red Sea, South China Sea, Sea of Japan, Gulf of California/Mexico).

Genus: *Cantherhines* Swainson 1839

1036. *Cantherhines dumerilii* (Hollard 1854)-Whitespotted filefish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Hutchins (1984b) as *Cantherhines dumerili*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2015): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Indo-Pacific: East Africa, Socotra, Comoros, Madagascar and Mascarenes east to Hawaiian Islands (U.S.A.), north to central Japan and Ogasawara Islands, south to Lord Howe Island, northern New Zealand, Kermadec Islands, Rapa and Ducie (Pitcairn Group); eastern Pacific: southern tip of Baja California (Mexico) south to Panama, including Clipperton Island (France) and Galapagos Islands.

Genus: *Stephanolepis* Gill 1861

1037. *Stephanolepis diaspros* Fraser-Brunner 1940-Reticulated leatherjacket

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Hutchins (2022); Oman: Fraser-Brunner (1940); UAE: -; Iran: Blegvad & Løppenthin (1944); Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2017): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; northwestern Indian Ocean: Gulf of Aden, Gulf of Oman, and Persian Gulf east to northwestern India; Mediterranean Sea and Sea of Marmara (Red Sea immigrant).

Genus: *Tetrosomus* Swainson 1839

1038. *Tetrosomus gibbosus* (Linnaeus 1758)-Humpback turretfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Heemstra (2022j); Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Ostracion gibbosus*;

UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman); ANSP (Iran).

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, KwaZulu-Natal (South Africa), Persian Gulf, Madagascar and Mauritius (Mascarenes) east to Philippines, north to southern Japan, south to Australia and New Caledonia; Mediterranean Sea (Red Sea immigrant).

Genus: *Thamnaconus* Smith 1949

1039. *Thamnaconus melanoproctes* (Boulenger 1889)

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Hutchins (2022); Oman: Boulenger (1889) as *Monacanthus melanoproctes*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2009): Data Deficient (DD).

Distribution: Northern Indian Ocean and western Pacific.

Family: Balistidae Risso 1810

Genus: *Abalistes* Jordan & Seale 1906

1040. *Abalistes stellatus* (Anonymous 1798)-Starry triggerfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2022): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Persian Gulf, Seychelles, Madagascar, and western Mascarenes east to Palau, Fiji, and Tonga, north to southern Japan, south to New South Wales (Australia); eastern tropical Atlantic. IUCN (2020): Not assessed.

Genus: *Canthidermis* Swainson 1839

1041. *Canthidermis macrolepis* (Boulenger 1888)-Largescale triggerfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Matsuura (2022); Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Balistes macrolepis*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2022): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: Gulf of Aden, Socotra and southern Oman; Philippines east to

Micronesia, north to Japan.

1042. *Canthidermis maculata* (Bloch 1786)-Rough triggerfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2011): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Circumglobal in tropical and temperate seas (including Gulf of Mexico, Caribbean Sea, and Sea of Japan).

Genus: *Odonus* Gistel 1848

1043. *Odonus niger* (Rüppell 1836)-Red-toothed triggerfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1889) as *Balistes erythrodon*, Randall (1995); UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2022): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, Seychelles, Madagascar, and western Mascarenes east to Marquesas Islands and Society Islands, north to southern Japan and Ogasawara Islands, south to southern Great Barrier Reef (Queensland, Australia), New Caledonia and Tonga.

Genus: *Pseudobalistes* Bleeker 1865

1044. *Pseudobalistes fuscus* (Bloch & Schneider 1801)-Yellow-spotted triggerfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2022): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, Seychelles, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Marshall Islands and Tuamotu Archipelago, north to southern Japan and Ogasawara Islands, south to Australia and New Caledonia.

Genus: *Rhinecanthus* Swainson 1839

1045. *Rhinecanthus assasi* (Fabricius 1775)-Picasso triggerfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: General: Matsuura (2022); Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Balistes assasi*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

IUCN (2022): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Red Sea; northwestern Indian Ocean: Socotra, Gulf of Oman, Persian Gulf.

Genus: *Sufflamen* Jordan 1916

1046. *Sufflamen chrysopterum* (Bloch & Schneider 1801)-Halfmoon triggerfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Balistes niger*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: -.

Material: BMNH (Oman).

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: -; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

IUCN (2022): Not Evaluated (NE).

Distribution: Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Persian Gulf, Socotra, Seychelles, Comoros, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Samoa, north to central Japan and Ogasawara Islands, south to Australia, Lord Howe Island, and New Caledonia.

1047. *Sufflamen fraenatum* (Latreille 1804)-Masked triggerfish

Status in Gulf of Oman: Oman: Boulenger (1888) as *Balistes mitis*; UAE: -; Iran: -; Pakistan: Psomadakis et al. (2015).

Material: BMNH (Oman); ANSP (Pakistan).

IUCN (2009): Least Concern (LC).

Distribution: Red Sea; Indo-West Pacific: East Africa, South Africa, Socotra, Madagascar, and Mascarenes east to Hawaiian Islands and Pitcairn Group, north to southern Japan and Ogasawara Islands, south to Australia, New Caledonia, Lord Howe Island, and Norfolk Island.

DISCUSSION

Based on the results, 1047 species in 2 classes, 39 orders, 164 families, and 526 genera are listed as Fishes of the Oman Sea, 86 of them are Species Anticipated for the Sea of Oman based on Zoogeography for this region. There was no specific checklist for the Oman Sea to compare our results with; however, Al-Jufaili et al. (2010) listed 1179 fish species in Oman, including freshwater and marine species from the coasts of the Arabian Sea and the Oman Sea. In this checklist, Carcharhinidae,

accounting for 27% of the fish, was the dominant group, followed by Dasyatidae, with 10 species across five genera (Al-Jufaili et al. 2010). Al-Jufaili et al. (2010) provided a list based on Randall (1995) of fishes from the Oman coast and of specimens deposited in the Department of Marine Science and Fisheries (MSAF) at Sultan Qaboos University (SQU).

The current study lists fish of the whole Sea of Oman, including the northeast coast of Oman, a short eastern shore of the UAE, the south coast of Iran, and the westernmost part of the coast of Baluchistan/Pakistan, without considering the fish fauna of the Arabian Sea. Therefore, this work should be considered the first list for the Oman Sea. In addition, our list updates all taxonomic changes from the past decade, based on the Catalog of Fishes (2025), and can serve as a reliable reference for researchers. Furthermore, we review all collections worldwide and identify additional confirmed species as new to this region. In addition, previous lists were largely based on fishing data from the coastal area of the study region; however, in the current study, we also included data from deep-sea trawling conducted in recent years. Nevertheless, we expect further findings as fishing efforts by trawlers in this area increase.

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چکیده: این مطالعه فهرستی جامع از گونه‌های ماهی دریای عمان (خلیج عمان) را لیست نموده است. مناطق مورد مطالعه شامل سواحل شمال شرقی عمان، بخش کوتاهی از سواحل شرقی امارات متحده عربی، سواحل جنوبی ایران و غربی‌ترین بخش سواحل بلوچستان/پاکستان می‌باشد. نتایج نشان‌دهنده وجود ۱۰۴۷ گونه در ۲ رده، ۳۹ راسته، ۱۶۴ خانواده و ۵۲۶ جنس است. رده Actinopteri شامل ۹۴۷ گونه (۹۰/۴۴٪ از کل گونه‌ها) بوده و ۱۰۰ گونه (۹/۴۴٪ از کل گونه‌ها) نیز متعلق به Elasmobranchii می‌باشد. در این مطالعه، در مجموع ۸۶ گونه برای اولین بار از دریای عمان گزارش می‌شود. بیشترین تعداد گونه به ترتیب برای راسته و خانواده Acanthuriformes (۲۲۵ گونه) و Carangidae (۵۷ گونه) ثبت شد. براساس رده‌بندی‌های اتحادیه بین‌المللی حفاظت از طبیعت (IUCN)، وضعیت حفاظتی ماهیان دریای عمان به شرح زیر است: ۱۱۴ گونه ارزیابی نشده، ۷۷ گونه با داده‌های ناقص یا کم، ۷۴۷ گونه کمترین نگرانی، ۱۹ گونه نزدیک به تهدید، ۴۳ گونه آسیب‌پذیر، ۲۶ گونه در معرض خطر و ۲۱ گونه به شدت در معرض خطر انقراض.

کلمات کلیدی: فهرست گونه‌ها، دریای عمان، وضعیت حفاظتی، تنوع زیستی