

Pink salmon is a rapidly expanding and there are concerns that it may become established in Québec in the coming years. For this reason, the Ministère de l'Environnement, de la Lutte contre les changements climatiques, de la Faune et des Parcs (MELCCFP) wishes to document the presence of pink salmon in Québec waters by establishing a detection network that relies on the vigilance on individual and, more specifically, angler vigilance.

Do not hesitate to identify your catch using our free mobile app **iPêche**



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What to do if you believe that you have caught a pink salmon?

1. **Freeze the head**
  - ~ Take a picture of the salmon.
  - ~ If you can preserve your catch, keep the flesh for consumption and freeze the head\* for analysis by the MELCCFP.
2. **Submit catch information**
  - ~ The size and number of individuals observed
  - ~ The date and time of the catch
  - ~ The sector of the catch (add GPS coordinates, if available)
  - ~ How the fish was caught
3. **Inform the MELCCFP**
  - ~ Email at [renseignements.faune@environnement.gouv.qc.ca](mailto:renseignements.faune@environnement.gouv.qc.ca)
  - ~ Call at 1 877 346-6763

\* If your catch is confirmed and you have preserved the head, a representative of the MELCCFP will contact you to take possession of it.

**WANTED**

Be on the lookout when you are fishing

**PINK SALMON**



If you believe that you have caught a pink salmon, promptly contact customer service in the Ministère de l'Environnement, de la Lutte contre les changements climatiques, de la Faune et des Parcs.

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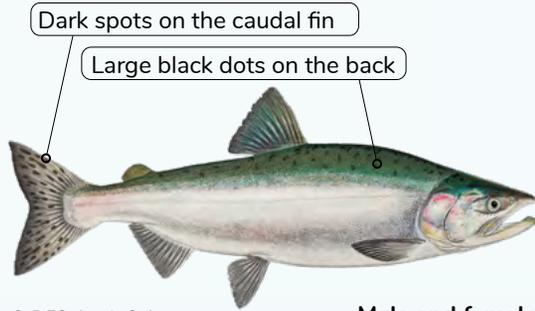
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Pink salmon is sometimes confused with Atlantic salmon or rainbow trout.

## HERE IS HOW TO DISTINGUISH THE THREE SPECIES

### SALTWATER STAGE

(persists for several days after entering the river)



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Male and female

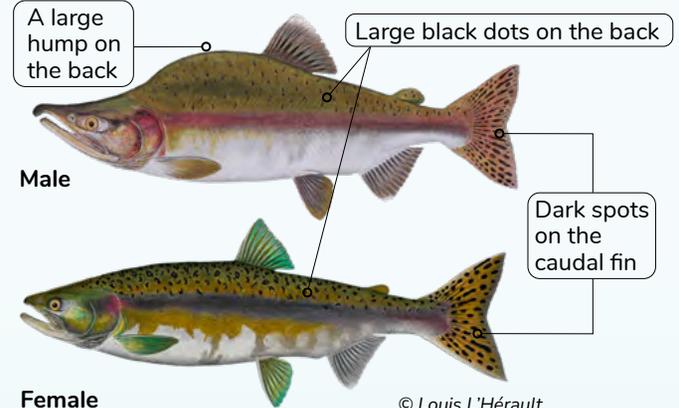
50-63 cm (20-25 in.)

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### FRESHWATER STAGE

(most likely to be caught by anglers)



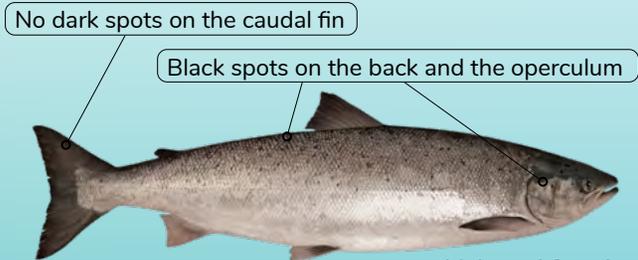
Male

Female

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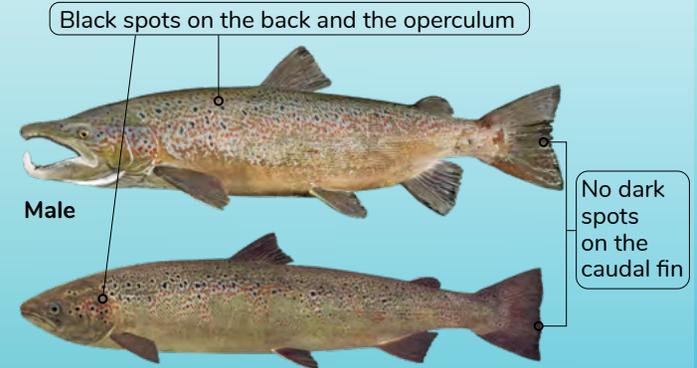
Wanted species



Male and female

50-100 cm (20-40 in.)

ATLANTIC SALMON

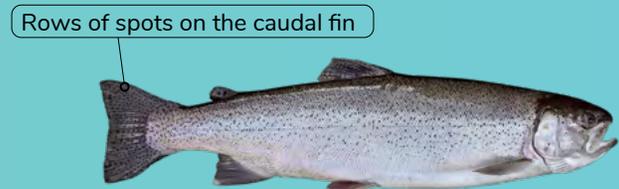


Male

Female

No dark spots on the caudal fin

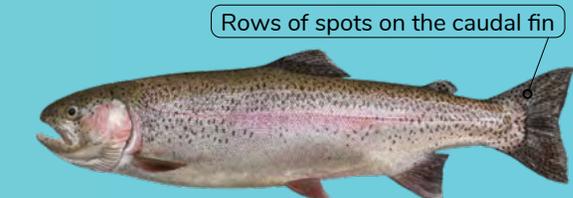
Similar species



Male and female

30-45 cm (12-18 in.)

RAINBOW TROUT



Male and female

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