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Blue Blenders



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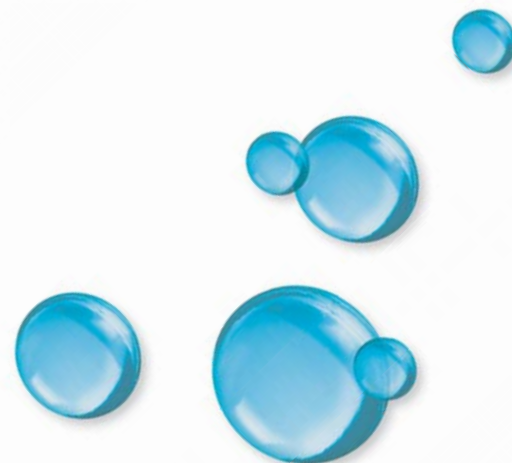
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Watch Out!

Millions of animals swim in the ocean searching for food.

All around them, the dark blue water moves quietly.

Below them, however, something is hiding.

It is a tiger shark, looking for its next meal.

Tiger sharks have dark blue or gray backs, which act as **camouflage**. This makes it hard for other animals to see the big fish swimming below them.



Danger Above

The tiger shark's dark-colored back is not the only thing that helps it hide in the ocean.

Most tiger sharks also have a white or light-yellow belly.

Animals swimming under a shark may not see the large fish when they look up.

The shark's belly blends in with the waters near the ocean's **surface**, which are brightened by the sun.





white belly

The average male tiger shark is about 12 feet (3.7 m) long. Females can grow up to about 15 feet (4.6 m) long.



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DISAPPEARING
ACTS

Tiger Sharks

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Millions of animals swim in the ocean searching for food. Little do they know that a very large creature is hiding close by in the dark ocean. Even though it's a very big animal, the tiger shark's colors allow it to blend in with its surroundings.

Sea animals pass right by these camouflaged fish, never seeing them until it's too late to avoid being eaten! Look inside to learn more about the ways these masters of disguise live—but keep a close eye on them. If you don't, they might disappear right before your eyes.

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Three-toed Sloths

Green Mammals

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