

SO WHAT CAN WE DO?

MAKE THE PLEDGE.



LIKE THEY DID!



SPREAD

THE WORD!

To revive Fiji's fishing grounds, it will take all of us working together. The first step is starting talanoas with our families and friends, and in our communities. Tune in to listen to fishers and experts discuss challenges and share practical, local solutions on the *Golfi Vakamatau Talkback Radio Show with FBC on Radio Fiji One.*

Follow regular stories in national media about the real challenges communities face with catching smaller and less fish to feed their families and sell at markets. Get access to outreach tools to share the message through government ministries, provincial officers, NGOs, community networks and faith-based organisations.

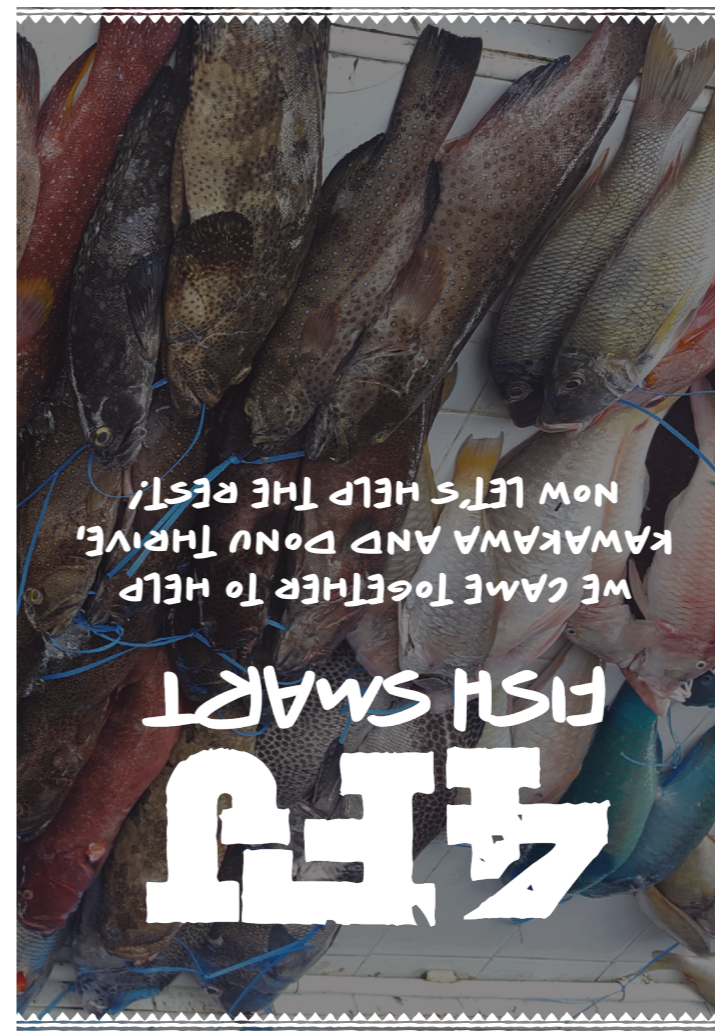
Become a community champion! We are recruiting community champions to take the 4FJ Fish Smart message to communities across Fiji.

Will you join us? Everyone can be part of the national talanoa to help Fiji's fishing grounds thrive again!

For more information and get access to the latest tools visit 4fjmovement.org/fishsmart
Follow: facebook.com/4fjmovement

1. Stop harmful fishing practices, such as poison fishing and night-time spear fishing
2. Avoid fish in breeding seasons and breeding sites
3. Avoid taking Undersize Fish
4. Stop using small mesh nets that leave too little behind
5. Establish and respect community tabu areas

See Temporal variation in catch composition, fishing gear and time spent fishing in an artisanal coral reef fishery: An assessment through fishers' perceptions and experiences, The Pacific Community (SPC) Fisheries Newsletter (No. 157) (2018).



4FJ FISH SMART IS A CAMPAIGN TO HELP REVIVE FIJI'S FISHING GROUNDS & PROTECT OUR WAY OF LIFE!

The 4FJ campaign originally launched in 2014 to help revive *kawakawa* and *donu* fisheries, by asking people to pledge not to eat these at risk fish during their peak spawning months, 1st June through to 30th September. After tens of thousands of pledges from all walks of life, we now have a 4-month legal ban to help these fish thrive.

Well, now we are back, to do it again, to help the rest of the fish. *Kawakawa* and *donu* are not the only fish at risk, in fact, it's our fishers who are really at risk.

ASK A FISHER AND THEY WILL TELL YOU IN:

1980	2000	2020
1 to 2 hours fishing per day & catch enough fish for everyone!	10 hours fishing per day & night, many types of fish & enough for families.	12+hrs fishing per day & night, smaller & less fish & spend more on fuel.



"Fishing has become much harder for us, making it harder to meet our needs and maintain our traditions. I hope we can come together now to reverse these declines, so my grandchildren can experience the same Fiji we all grew up in."
- Lisala Waqalala, 4FJ Fisher (champion)



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PLEDGE TO SAY NO TO UNDERSIZED FISH!


GROUPER SEASONAL BAN: 1 JUNE - 30 SEPTEMBER

OGO
Great barracuda
Sphyraena barracuda



Legal Size: 30cm+
Age of Maturity: 2 years
Set Size: 70cm+

TOMA, MANANINUBU
Blue-lined large-eye bream
Gymnocranius grandoculis



Legal Size: 25cm+
Age of Maturity: 4 years
Set Size: 35cm+

MAMA, BU
Humpnose bigeye bream
Monotaxis grandoculis



Legal Size: NONE
Age of Maturity: 4 years
Set Size: 45cm+

DOKONIVUDI
Longface emperor
Lethrinus olivaceus



Legal Size: 25cm+
Age of Maturity: 4 years
Set Size: 55cm+

SABUTU
Pacific yellowtail emperor
Lethrinus atkinsoni




Legal Size: 20cm+
Age of Maturity: 3 years
Set Size: 25cm+

KABATIA NI CAKAU
Pinkear emperor
Lethrinus lentjan



Legal Size: 15cm+
Age of Maturity: 3 years
Set Size: 25cm+

KAWAGO
Spangled emperor
Lethrinus nebulosus



Legal Size: 25cm+
Age of Maturity: 4 years
Set Size: 55cm+

KABATIA
Thumbprint emperor
Lethrinus harak



Legal Size: 15cm+
Age of Maturity: 2 years
Set Size: 25cm+

KAWAKAWA NI TIRI
Whitespotted grouper
Epinephelus coeruleopunctatus



Legal Size: 25cm+
Age of Maturity: 6 years
Set Size: 55cm+

SOISOI
Orange spotted grouper
Epinephelus coioides



Legal Size: 25cm+
Age of Maturity: 6 years
Set Size: 90cm+

REVUA
Blue rock cod
Epinephelus cyanopodus



Legal Size: 25cm+
Age of Maturity: 7 years
Set Size: 55cm+

DELABULEWA
Brown marbled grouper
Epinephelus fuscoguttatus



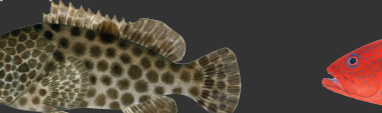
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Age of Maturity: 6 years
Set Size: 90cm+

KAWAKAWA, KASALA
Camouflage grouper
Epinephelus polyphkadion



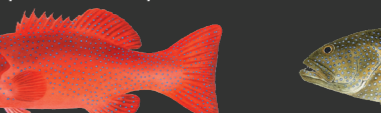
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Age of Maturity: 6 years
Set Size: 55cm+

KAWAKAWA
Greasy grouper
Epinephelus tauvina



Legal Size: 25cm+
Age of Maturity: 7 years
Set Size: 55cm+

DONU DAMU
Leopard coral grouper
Plectropomus leopardus



Legal Size: 25cm+
Age of Maturity: 3 years
Set Size: 55cm+

BATISAI
Squartail coral grouper
Plectropomus areolatus



Legal Size: 25cm+
Age of Maturity: 3 years
Set Size: 55cm+

DONU LOA
Blacksaddled coral grouper
Plectropomus laevis



Legal Size: 25cm+
Age of Maturity: 3 years
Set Size: 55cm+

WALU
Narrow-barred Spanish mackerel
Scomberomorus commerson



Legal Size: NONE
Age of Maturity: 2 years
Set Size: 90cm+

KOTO, KANACE
Flathead grey mullet
Mugil cephalus



Legal Size: 20cm+
Age of Maturity: 2 years
Set Size: 35cm+

ULURUA
Steephead parrotfish
Chlorurus microrhinos




Legal Size: 25cm+
Age of Maturity: 4 years
Set Size: 45cm+

ULAVI
Pacific longnose parrotfish
Hipposcarus longiceps



Legal Size: 25cm+
Age of Maturity: 3 years
Set Size: 45cm+

RAWARAWA NI NUBA
Ember parrotfish
Hipposcarus rubroviolaceus



Legal Size: 25cm+
Age of Maturity: 3 years
Set Size: 45cm+

DOGO SASA, LAUMARAWA
Spotted parrotfish
Cetoscarus ocellatus



Legal Size: 25cm+
Age of Maturity: 3 years
Set Size: 45cm+

RAWARAWA, BUBUTE (SMALL)
Surf parrotfish
Scarus rivulatus



Legal Size: 25cm+
Age of Maturity: 3 years
Set Size: 25cm+

NUQA, VOLACA
Vermiculated spinefoot
Signaus vermiculatus



Legal Size: 20cm+
Age of Maturity: 3 years
Set Size: 25cm+

DAMU, DAMU NI VERITRI
Mangrove red snapper
Lutjanus argentimaculatus




Legal Size: 30cm+
Age of Maturity: 5 years
Set Size: 35cm+

BO, YABO, TAE
Humpback snapper
Lutjanus gibbus



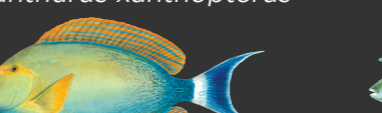
Legal Size: 30cm+
Age of Maturity: 3 years
Set Size: 35cm+

TEVULU
Chinamanfish
Symphorus nematophorus



Legal Size: NONE
Age of Maturity: 6 years
Set Size: 45cm+

BALAGI
Yellowfin surgeonfish
Acanthurus xanthopterus




Legal Size: 20cm+
Age of Maturity: 5 years
Set Size: 35cm+

TA, LELE, JIVIJIVI
Bluespine unicornfish
Naso unicornis



Legal Size: 30cm+
Age of Maturity: 4 years
Set Size: 45cm+

SEVASEVA
Harlequin sweetlips
Plectorhinchus chaetodonoides



Legal Size: NONE
Age of Maturity: 4 years
Set Size: 55cm+

SAQA BUI DROMO
Brassy trevally
Caranx papuensis



Legal Size: 30cm+
Age of Maturity: 3 years
Set Size: 45cm+

BONITO
Bigeye trevally
Caranx sexfasciatus



Legal Size: 30cm+
Age of Maturity: 3 years
Set Size: 45cm+

SAQANIVATU
Bluefin trevally
Caranx melampygus



Legal Size: 30cm+
Age of Maturity: 3 years
Set Size: 45cm+

SAQA
Giant trevally
Caranx ignobilis



Legal Size: 30cm+
Age of Maturity: 6 years
Set Size: 70cm+

QARI DINA
Mangrove mud crab
Scylla serrata



Legal Size: 12.5cm+
Age of Maturity: 2-3 years
Set Size: 12.5cm+

Fish Key
LOCAL NAME
Common name
Species names

Legal Size: cm+ ○
Age of Maturity: years ○
Set Size: cm+ ○

- **Legal Size:** The current Minimum Size Limits of fish. Fish under these sizes may be confiscated and result in fines.
- **Age of Maturity:** The number of years it takes each fish to reach maturity and start breeding.
- **Set Sizes:** Set Sizes are informed by the most recent research on Fiji's fish. Fiji's current legal sizes were set in 1942 based on limited available research. In many cases, legal sizes are too small to sustain our fisheries. If you can, pledge to avoid any size under the Set Sizes.

SCAN TO JOIN THE 4FJ MOVEMENT



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