FACT FILE



LITTLE SKATE

The Little Skate, also known as the Summer Skate, is one of the smallest species of skates. It is a bottom-dwelling fish with a flat body, wing-like fins, and a long, slender tail.

DISTRIBUTION: Northwest Atlantic Ocean, from southeastern Newfoundland to North Carolina.

SCIENTIFIC NAME: Leucoraja erinacea

MAXIMUM WINGSPAN: 62cm

DIET: Crustaceans, amphipods, polychaetes, molluscs and fish.

HABITAT: Shallow waters, sandy bays, estuaries or rocky reefs. Can be found up to 200m deep.

DISTRIBUTION MAP:

CONSERVATION STATUS:





Least Concern