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COMMON NAME – Largemouth Bass

SCIENTIFIC NAME – *Micropterus salmoides*

DESCRIPTION –

- Length – Average of 12 to 18 in., maximum of 38 in.
- Weight – Average of 1 to 3 lbs, maximum of 26 lbs
- Dark blotches form a horizontal stripe on each side of the bass

RANGE/HABITAT –

- Commonly found in waters less than 20 feet deep
- Prefer shallow weedy lakes and backwater parts of big rivers with slow moving water
- Some largemouths can occasionally be found in large structures such as submerged logs and rocks

DIET –

- Juvenile – plankton, insects
- Adults – fish, crayfish, frogs
- On rare occasions mice, rats, and small birds

FACTS -

- The Largemouth Bass isn't actually a Bass but rather a member of the Sunfish family
- Largemouth bass can live up to 23 years!
- Bass can detect vibrations in the water with their "lateral line" pores
- Bass have ears inside of their skull and have a keen sense of hearing