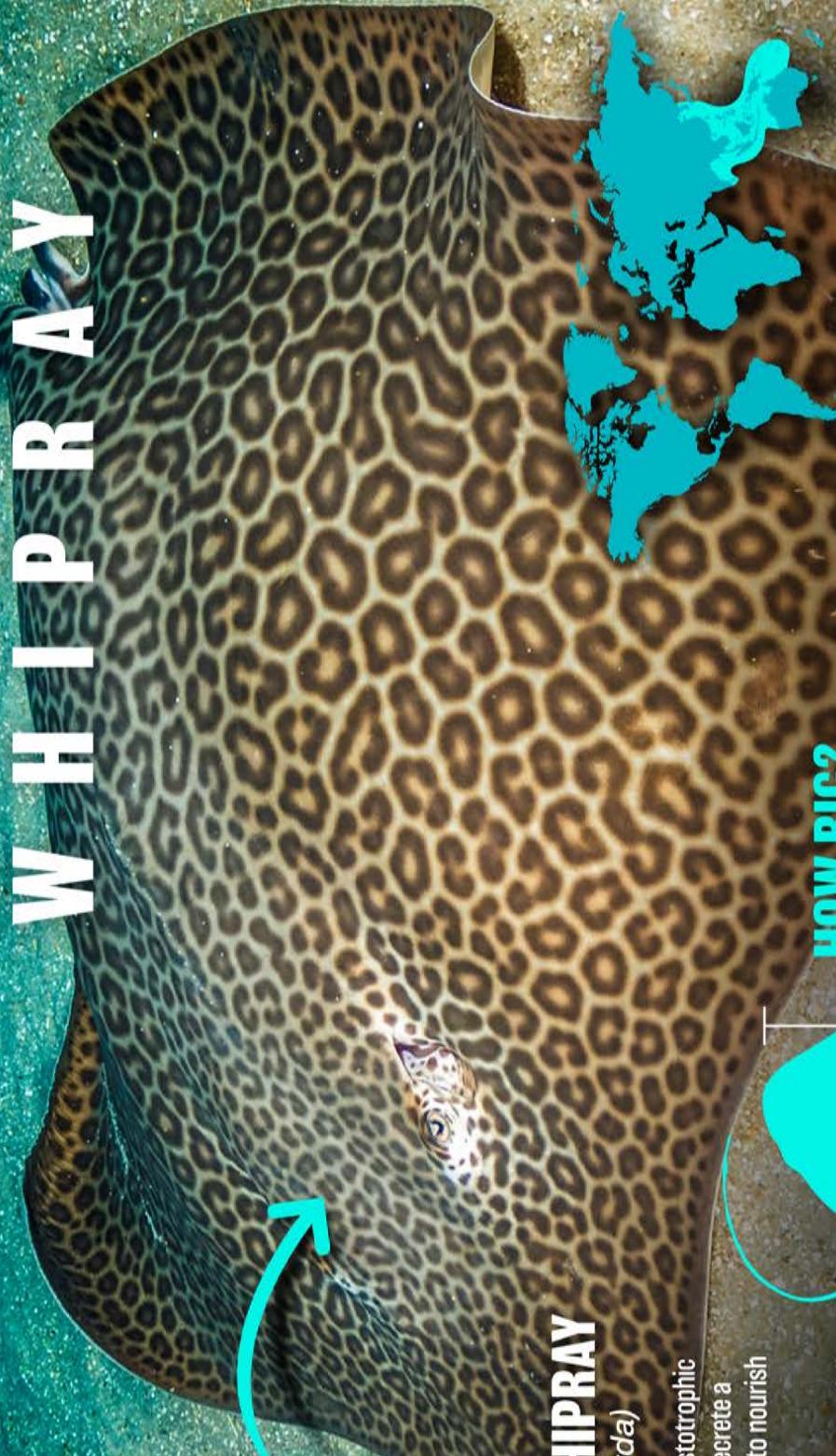


LEOPARD WHIPRAY

SHARK FACTS

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Leopard whiprays
are distinguished
by their unique
**LEOPARD-LIKE
MARKINGS** on
the dorsal surface



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(*Himantura leoparda*)

The leopard whirray is histotrophic viviparous, i.e., females secrete a uterine milk (histotroph) to nourish their babies

The leopard whirray is commercially valuable throughout Southeast Asia where it is taken as utilized bycatch in a range of commercial and artisanal fisheries

HOW BIG?

The size at birth is about 20 cm disk width and they can reach about 140 cm disc width

140 cm

WHERE DO THEY LIVE?

The leopard whirray is possibly widely distributed in the Indo-West Pacific, found on soft substrates, mainly inshore and coastal