

# Rock Bass

*Ambloplites rupestris*



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## ADULT SIZE

Typically 7-10 inches,  
can reach 15 inches.  
Usually weighs less than  
1 pound, can reach  
2 pounds.

## TYPICAL FOODS

Primarily aquatic insects,  
but larger individuals  
will prey on crayfish  
and minnows when the  
opportunity arises.

## FISHING TIP

As the name implies,  
rock bass are often found  
in rocky pools of rivers.  
Try fishing a crayfish or  
dark brown jig on the  
Cleveland shoreline of  
Lake Erie and in deeper  
spots in the Rocky River  
in summer.

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