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**Scientific Name: *Echeneis naucrates***

**Family: Echeneidae**

**Common Name: Live sharksucker**

**Physical Characteristics:**



Typically, have elongated bodies with a streamlined shape. Colouration varies among species but often includes shades of brown, grey, and silver. It has a prominent dorsal fin modified into a suction cup, along with other fins for locomotion.

**Geographical Distribution:**

*Echeneis* species are found worldwide in tropical and subtropical waters.

**Economic Importance:**

They are not directly targeted in commercial fisheries; however, they play a crucial role in marine ecosystems and may have some economic and ecological significance. Conservation efforts to protect marine habitats benefit *Echeneis* and other aquatic species.