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Scientific Name: -*Hypophthalmichthys molitrix*

Family: Cyprinidae

Common Name: Silver Carp.

Physical Characteristics:

A narrow, deep-bodied fish that is laterally compressed, with a large, toothless mouth and an upturned lower jaw and lacks barbels. Their bodies are covered in tiny silver scales, except for their scaleless heads.

Geographical Distribution:

Native to East Asia, particularly China and Siberia and has also been introduced to South and North America, Africa, and other parts of Asia.

Economic Importance:

Silver carp's economic importance is multifaceted, encompassing aquaculture, commercial and recreational fisheries, environmental management, and value-added product markets. While they offer significant benefits for food production and water quality management, their invasive potential poses economic and ecological challenges that require careful management and mitigation strategies.

