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# Fish Guide on the 4-Month Ban on Harvest, Sale, Buying, Possession & Export of Kawakawa & Donu



The Fiji Government has banned the harvest, sale, buying, possession or export of all species of Grouper (kawakawa) and Coral Trout (donu) during their peak spawning months, from the 1st of June through to the 30th of September, to help revive these rapidly declining fish species.

Any person or business found harvesting, selling, buying, possessing or exporting kawakawa and donu during the 4-month ban period will have their fish confiscated and will receive high fines:

- For individuals, an instant fine of \$10,000, with the potential of up to \$50,000 in fines.
- For corporations, an instant fine of \$20,000, with the potential of up to \$100,000 in fines.

The level of the fine can depend on the severity of the offence and will be determined by the Fiji Court System. Please visit [www.4fjmovement.org/ban](http://www.4fjmovement.org/ban) for more information.

## FISH GUIDE

There is a ban on all species of fish that fall under kawakawa (grouper) and donu (coral trout). The fishing, sale and export (and associated activities such as transport) of all species are seasonally banned. **The banned fish include but not limited to the following:**



**NAME:** Brown Marbled Grouper  
**SCIENTIFIC NAME:** *Epinephelus fuscoguttatus*  
**FIJIAN NAME:** Cevanibua, Delabulewa



**NAME:** Camouflage Grouper  
**SCIENTIFIC NAME:** *Epinephelus polyphekadion*  
**FIJIAN NAME:** Kasala, Kawakawa, Kerakera

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**NAME:** Blacksaddle Coral Grouper  
**SCIENTIFIC NAME:** *Plectropomus laevis*  
**FIJIAN NAME:** Donuloa, Lava



**NAME:** Squaretail Grouper  
**SCIENTIFIC NAME:** *Plectropomus areolatus*  
**FIJIAN NAME:** Donu, Bataisai



**NAME:** Leopard Coral grouper, Red Salmon Cod  
**SCIENTIFIC NAME:** *Plectropomus leopardus*  
**FIJIAN NAME:** Donu, Drodroua



**NAME:** Blue Rock Cod  
**SCIENTIFIC NAME:** *Epinephelus cyanopodus*  
**FIJIAN NAME:** Revua, Rogoceva



**NAME:** Peacock Hind  
**SCIENTIFIC NAME:** *Cephalopholis argus*  
**FIJIAN NAME:** Tikilo, Kialo, Kawakawaloa



**NAME:** Bluespotted Hind, Bluespotted Grouper  
**SCIENTIFIC NAME:** *Cephalopholis cyanostigma*  
**FIJIAN NAME:** Kawakawa, Kialo Seavula



**NAME:** Darkfin Hind  
**SCIENTIFIC NAME:** *Cephalopholis urodeta*  
**FIJIAN NAME:** Kawakawadamu



**NAME:** Coral Hind  
**SCIENTIFIC NAME:** *Cephalopholis miniate*  
**FIJIAN NAME:** Kialo ni Cakau, Kasala selagi



**NAME:** Tomato Hind  
**SCIENTIFIC NAME:** *Cephalopholis sonnerati*  
**FIJIAN NAME:** Kialo Sedamu



**NAME:** Brownspotted Grouper  
**SCIENTIFIC NAME:** *Epinephelus chlorostigma*  
**FIJIAN NAME:** Cevanibua, Cevaninubu

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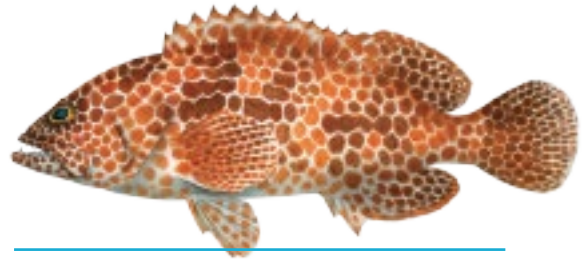
**NAME:** Whitespotted Grouper  
**SCIENTIFIC NAME:** *Epinephelus coeruleopunctatus*  
**FIJIAN NAME:** Kawakawanitiri



**NAME:** Speckled Grouper  
**SCIENTIFIC NAME:** *Epinephelus magniscuttis*  
**FIJIAN NAME:** Kulinimasi, Kasalaninubu



**NAME:** Malabar Grouper  
**SCIENTIFIC NAME:** *Epinephelus malabaricus*  
**FIJIAN NAME:** Soisoi, Votosiga



**NAME:** Honeycomb Grouper  
**SCIENTIFIC NAME:** *Epinephelus merra*  
**FIJIAN NAME:** Senikawakawa



**NAME:** Comet Grouper  
**SCIENTIFIC NAME:** *Epinephelus morrhua*  
**FIJIAN NAME:** Kulinidovu, Votoqaninubu



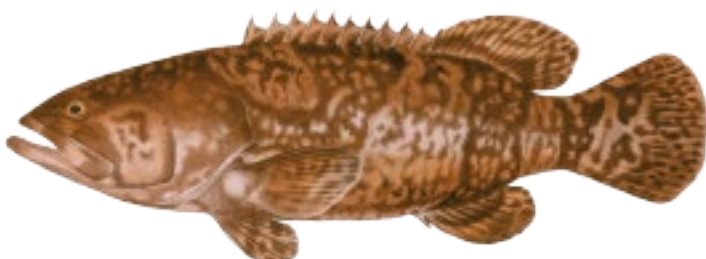
**NAME:** Eightbar Grouper  
**SCIENTIFIC NAME:** *Epinephelus octofasciatus*  
**FIJIAN NAME:** Kawakawaninubu, Balobi



**NAME:** Highfin Grouper  
**SCIENTIFIC NAME:** *Epinephelus maculatus*  
**FIJIAN NAME:** Kasala - Votose



**NAME:** Yellowedged Lyretail  
**SCIENTIFIC NAME:** *Variola louti*  
**FIJIAN NAME:** Varavaranitoga



**NAME:** Giant Grouper  
**SCIENTIFIC NAME:** *Epinephelus lanceolatus*  
**FIJIAN NAME:** Kavv



**NAME:** Spotted Coralgrouper  
**SCIENTIFIC NAME:** *Plectropomus maculatus*  
**FIJIAN NAME:** Donu, Donumatanisiga

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**NAME:** White-streaked Grouper  
**SCIENTIFIC NAME:** *Epinephelus ongus*  
**FIJIAN NAME:** Sinusinu, Kawakawasevula



**NAME:** Redmouth Grouper  
**SCIENTIFIC NAME:** *Aethaloperca rogae*  
**FIJIAN NAME:** Kawakawaloa, Kasalaninubu, Kasalatuiloa



**NAME:** Masked Grouper  
**SCIENTIFIC NAME:** *Gracila albomarginata*  
**FIJIAN NAME:** Varavara, Varavaranitoga, Varavaranicakaulala



**NAME:** Green Orange Spotted Grouper  
**SCIENTIFIC NAME:** *Epinephelus coioides*  
**FIJIAN NAME:** Soisoi, Kasala seilagi



**NAME:** Blue-finned Rock Cod, Freckled Hind  
**SCIENTIFIC NAME:** *Cephalopholis microprion*  
**FIJIAN NAME:** Kawakawa, Revua, Kawakawairilagi



**NAME:** Greasy Grouper  
**SCIENTIFIC NAME:** *Epinephelus tauvina*  
**FIJIAN NAME:** Kawakawa vuilase



**NAME:** Humpback Snapper/Grouper  
**SCIENTIFIC NAME:** *Cromileptus altivelis*  
**FIJIAN NAME:** Kawakawa iriloa,  
Kawakawa dakurodu, Kialo takuse

You can also help by photographing any kawakawa and donu on sale and sharing it on the campaign Facebook page ([www.facebook.com/4fjmovement](http://www.facebook.com/4fjmovement)). Please note the location, seller if possible, and time of day to help document the incident for the Ministry of Fisheries.

## WHAT TO DO IF YOU SEE THESE FISH ON SALE

The Ministry of Fisheries will need everyone's support to effectively enforce the kawakawa and donu seasonal ban. Right now, the town councils, the Fiji Police Force, Fiji Revenue and Customs Service and Fiji Navy are stepping up. But everyone can help, including fishermen, middlemen, market sellers, and consumers. We need to spread the word that the ban is in place. Let's give people a chance to do the right thing.

And where we see it being caught or sold, we can report it to the Ministry of Fisheries by calling:

- Nausori Fisheries Office: 3476587/9966745
- Lami Fisheries Office: 3361122/9966752
- Lautoka Fisheries Office: 6665899/9966759
- Labasa Fisheries Office: 8812833/9966770

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