

Uniquely **Macgregors** Seafood



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Introduction to Southern Bluefin Tuna

Found in the Southern Hemisphere, Southern Bluefin Tuna are a large and fast-swimming pelagic fish. Southern Bluefin Tuna exist largely in the world's southern oceans and congregate in the coastal waters off southern Australia.

They spawn between September and April each year in the only known spawning grounds in the Indian Ocean, between the north-west Coast of Australia and Indonesia. The eggs are estimated to hatch within two to three days.

At approximately 20 days, the Southern Bluefin Tuna larvae become fingerlings, which feast on a wide range of food, including fish larvae and juvenile fish.

Southern Bluefin Tuna usually reach approximately 15 kilograms over the next two years and this size is the principal wild catch of the Australian Southern Bluefin Tuna industry.

Clean Seas believes that Southern Bluefin Tuna become sexually mature between 9 and 12 years of age in the wild.

Clean Seas adheres to the most comprehensive and advanced environmental standards available in the world.

Clean Seas are:

- The first fishing and aquaculture company in the Southern Hemisphere to be environmentally certified ISO 14001.
- Environmentally sustainable, land animal product (LAP) feed used to feed our fish.

Current Southern Bluefin Tuna Production

Juvenile Southern Bluefin Tuna fish weigh an average of 15 Kilograms and are caught from December to April each year. The Southern Bluefin Tuna are then "grown-out" in sea pontoon cages for three to eight months, reaching an average of 30 to 40 kilograms. The fish are then exported either fresh or frozen to Japan. **With the future propagation of Southern Bluefin Tuna at its Arno Bay hatchery, closing of the Southern Bluefin Tuna life cycle, and developing the world's first successful artificial Southern Bluefin breeding program.**



