

# Pacific Herring Life Cycle

## EGG

Adult herring spawn in the intertidal and eggs stick to kelp and seagrass for 21 days.

## LARVAE

Eggs hatch into larvae and drift with the ocean currents for 90 days. They need to find food soon after they've absorbed their yolk sacs.

## AGE 0 JUVENILE

Spend about 227 days schooling in bays and fjords spend the summer feeding to build up energy stores for the winter.

INTERTIDAL  
ZONE

## AGE 3+ ADULT

During the spring adults move close to shore to spawn; other times of the year they are far offshore

## AGE 1-2 YEAR JUVENILE

They survived their first winter but are not yet mature enough to spawn spend the springs and summers feeding.