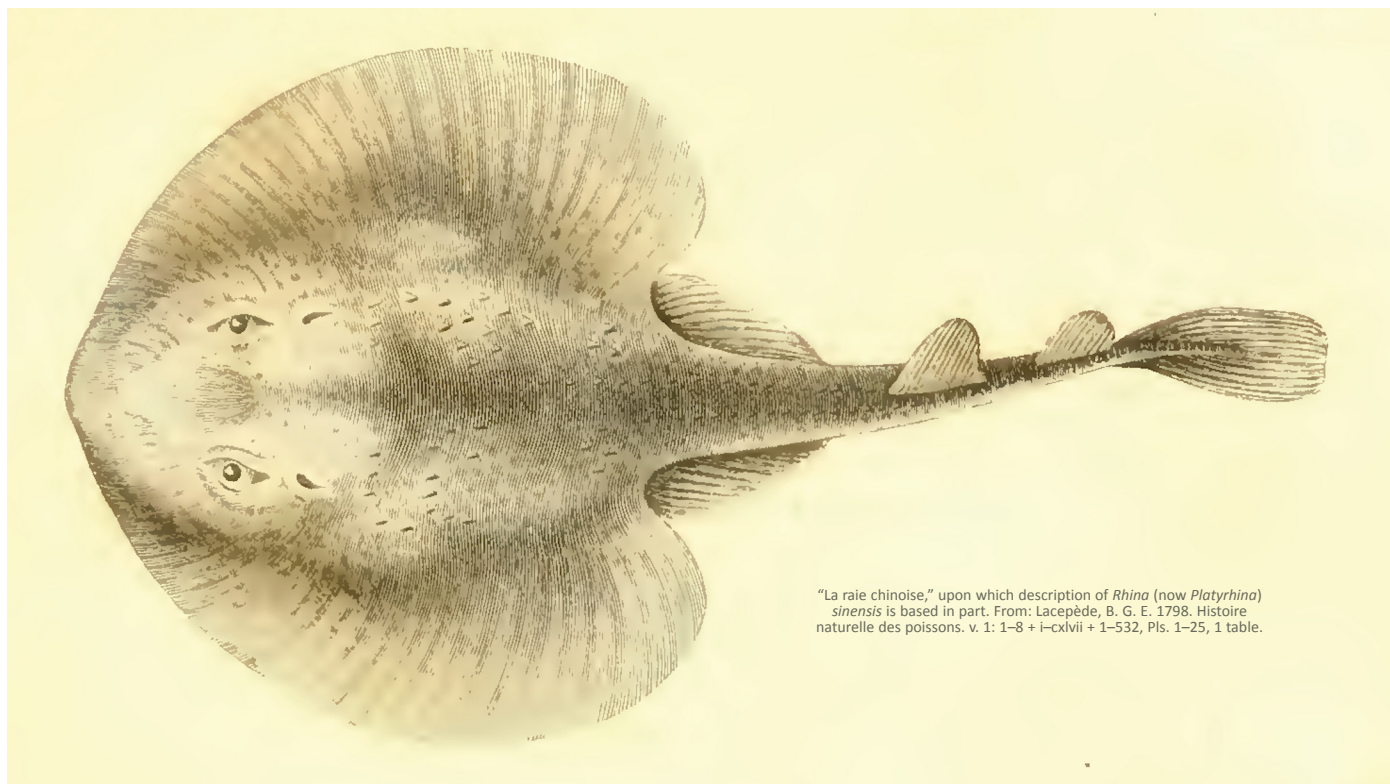


Order TORPEDINIFORMES

Thornbacks or Fanrays

Family **PLATYRRHINIDAE**

Jordan 1923



"La raie chinoise," upon which description of *Rhina* (now *Platyrhina*) *sinensis* is based in part. From: Lacepède, B. G. E. 1798. Histoire naturelle des poissons. v. 1: 1-8 + I-cxlvii + 1-532, Pls. 1-25, 1 table.

Platyrhina

Müller & Henle 1838

etymology not explained, possibly *platýs* (Gr. πλατύς), wide or flat, referring to broad, rounded snout and/or depressed body shape of *P. sinensis*; *Rhina*, previous genus (see *Rhina*, Rhinidae) of *P. sinensis*, the two genera then placed in the same family

***Platyrhina hyugaensis* Iwatsuki, Zhang & Nakaya 2011** -ensis, Latin suffix denoting place: Hyuga Nada Sea (southern Japan), where the authors believe this species is endemic and common

***Platyrhina psomadakis* White & Last 2016** in honor of Italian ichthyologist Peter N. Psomadakis, Food and Agriculture Association of the United Nations (Rome), "whose efforts to obtain valuable specimens of sharks and rays, as well as many teleosts, from a number of poorly sampled locations in the northern Indian Ocean have greatly improved our understanding of the biogeography of this complex region"

***Platyrhina sinensis* (Bloch & Schneider 1801)** -ensis, Latin suffix denoting place: Sinica (China), described in part from a specimen reportedly from China (Lacepède's "La raie chinoise," actually from Vietnam)

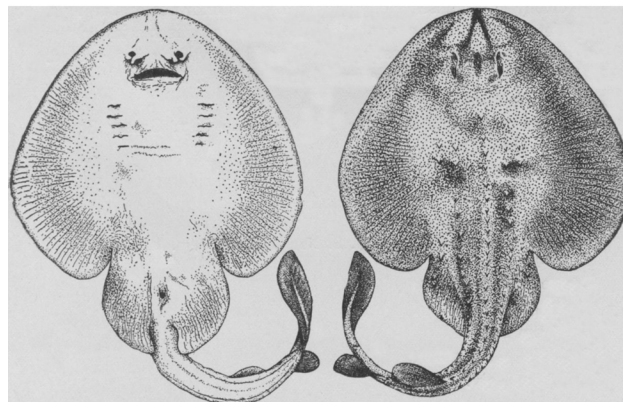
***Platyrhina tangi* Iwatsuki, Zhang & Nakaya 2011** in honor of Chinese ichthyologist D.-S. Tang, Amoy (now Xiamen) University (Xiamen, Fujian, China), whose *P. limboenkengi* 1933 the authors synonymized with *P. sinensis*

Platyrhinoïdis

Garman 1881

-oidis, from *-oides*, Latinized suffix adopted from *eîdos* (Gr. εἶδος), form or shape: similar to *Platyrhina*

***Platyrhinoïdis triseriata* (Jordan & Gilbert 1880)** *tri-*, from *tres* (L.), three; *seriata* (L.), in a row, referring to three rows of hook-like spines extending along back and tail



Possibly first-published image of *Platyrhinoïdis triseriata*. From: Fowler, H. W. 1910. Notes on batoid fishes. Proceedings of the Academy of Natural Sciences of Philadelphia 62: 468-475.