CORYPHÆNA HIPPURUS.

CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Caput maxime truncato-declive.

Membrana branchiostega radiis quinque.

Pinna dorsalis longitudine dorsi.

Lin.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

CORYPHÆNA THALASSINA, aurantio-guttata, dorso cæruleo, cauda bifida.

CORYPHÆNA cauda bifida, radiis dorsalibus sexaginta.

Lin. Syst. Nat. p. 446.

CORYPHÆNA pinna ani radiis viginti quinque.

Bloch. angl. Fisch 2. p. 143. t. 174.

Generi Coryphænæ, ut plurimum, obtigit insolitus colorum splendor; cujus variæ species vel ipsis pulcherrimis Labris Zeisq̃ue non cedunt, immo etiam nec auratis fulgentissimisq̃ue Cyprinis. Species, quam jam memoravimus, in mari Mediterraneo non raro invenitur; illamq̃ue interdum gravi errore

errore Delphinis nomine vocaverunt nonnulli. In
longitudinem quatuor vel etiam quinque pedum
crescit. Pernicissimus est piscis et prædando vitam
sustinet.

THE
COMMON CORYPHÆNA.

GENERIC CHARACTER.

Head sloping suddenly downwards.

Gill-covers five-rayed.

Dorsal Fin the length of the back.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER, &c.

SEA-GREEN CORYHÆNA, spotted with
orange, with blue back and forked tail.

The COMMON CORYPHÆNA.

The SEA-GREEN SPOTTED CORYPHENE,
popularly called the Dolphin.

The genus *Coryphæna* is distinguished in general by a more than usual gaiety of color; many of the species being equal in brilliancy to the richest of the Labri and Zei, or even to the golden splendor of some of the Cyprini. The particular species here represented is not unfrequently found in the Mediterranean, and has sometimes been most erroneously called by the title of Dolphin. It grows to the length of four, or even five feet. It is extremely swift and vigorous, and of a predacious nature.

Shaw, George. 1796. "The Common Coryphæna, Coryphæna hippurus [Pl. 242]." *The Naturalist's Miscellany* 7(LXXX), <https://doi.org/10.5962/p.310785>.

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