

A brown bear is shown from the chest up, swimming in dark, choppy water. The bear's head is turned slightly to the right, and it is holding a large, silver fish with a prominent red stripe along its side in its mouth. The bear's fur is a mix of brown and tan, and its large shoulder hump is visible. The water around the bear is splashing, indicating movement.

Brown bears (*Ursus arctos*) are omnivorous and have an excellent sense of smell. They have large shoulder humps that help them dig for clams, roots and squirrels. The average life span of a wild brown bear is about 20 years old, although many of them live much longer. The oldest wild brown bears known have lived 35 years.