Know your Florida fish: Mackerels
Quick tips to identify these common species

King mackerel (Kingfish)
*Scomberomorus cavalla*
Juvenile king mackerel are often caught in the same area as Spanish mackerel and have similar spots. Use the lateral line and dorsal fin color to identify.

![Illustration of King Mackerel]
- First dorsal fin is silver
- Lateral line has sharp drop

Spanish mackerel
*Scomberomorus maculatus*

![Illustration of Spanish Mackerel]
- First dorsal fin is black
- Lateral line slopes gently

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