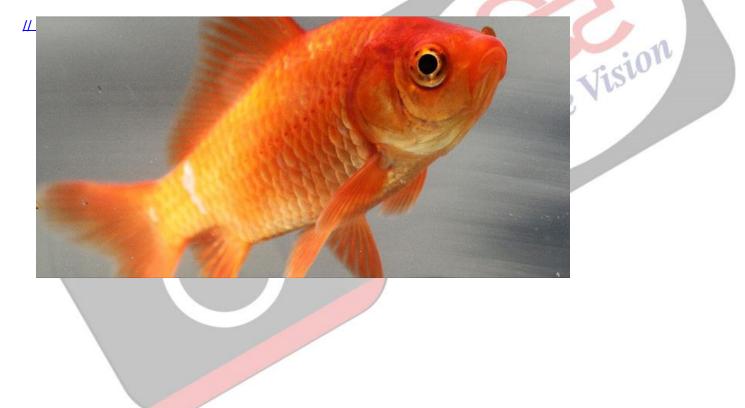


Goldfish

- **Goldfish** was one of the earliest fish to be domesticated and a relatively small member of the **Carp family.**
- Releasing it into the wild can lead to giant sizes, making them invasive and harmful to native marine life, damaging fragile ecosystems.
 - It can eat almost anything and everything, including <u>algae</u>, aquatic plants, eggs, and invertebrates.
 - They can tolerate a wide range of water temperatures, reach sexual maturity quickly, and reproduce several times in one season.
 - **Feral goldfish** are also destructive, as they help spawn harmful algal blooms by consuming the algae and expelling nutrients that promote its growth.



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