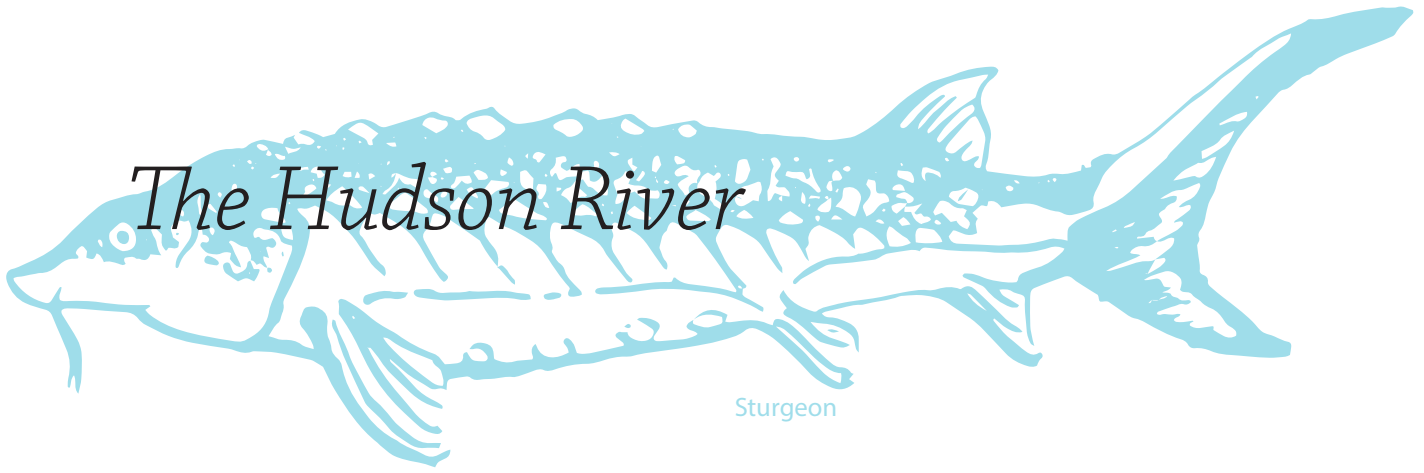


The Hudson River



Sturgeon

THE HUDSON RIVER IS THE MAJOR waterway of New York. The Hudson is 315 miles long and flows through most of Eastern New York, emptying into New York Harbor. Because it flows through the heart of New York City, it has become one of the most famous rivers in America. The Hudson River forms the boundary between New York and northern New Jersey. Its major tributary is the Mohawk River.

The river is named after explorer Henry Hudson, who explored the river in 1609. Though it goes on for over 300 miles and passes many major cities and

towns like Troy, Albany, Hoboken, Jersey City, and New York City, the Hudson starts in a tiny lake in Northern New York called Lake Tear of the Clouds.

The area around it, the Hudson River Valley, is known to be one of the most scenic in the country. The Erie Canal connects the Hudson River with the Great Lakes, making shipping easier and faster.

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Name: _____ Length: _____

Source: _____ Mouth: _____

Cities Along It: _____

Tributaries: _____

Importance to Communities Near It: _____