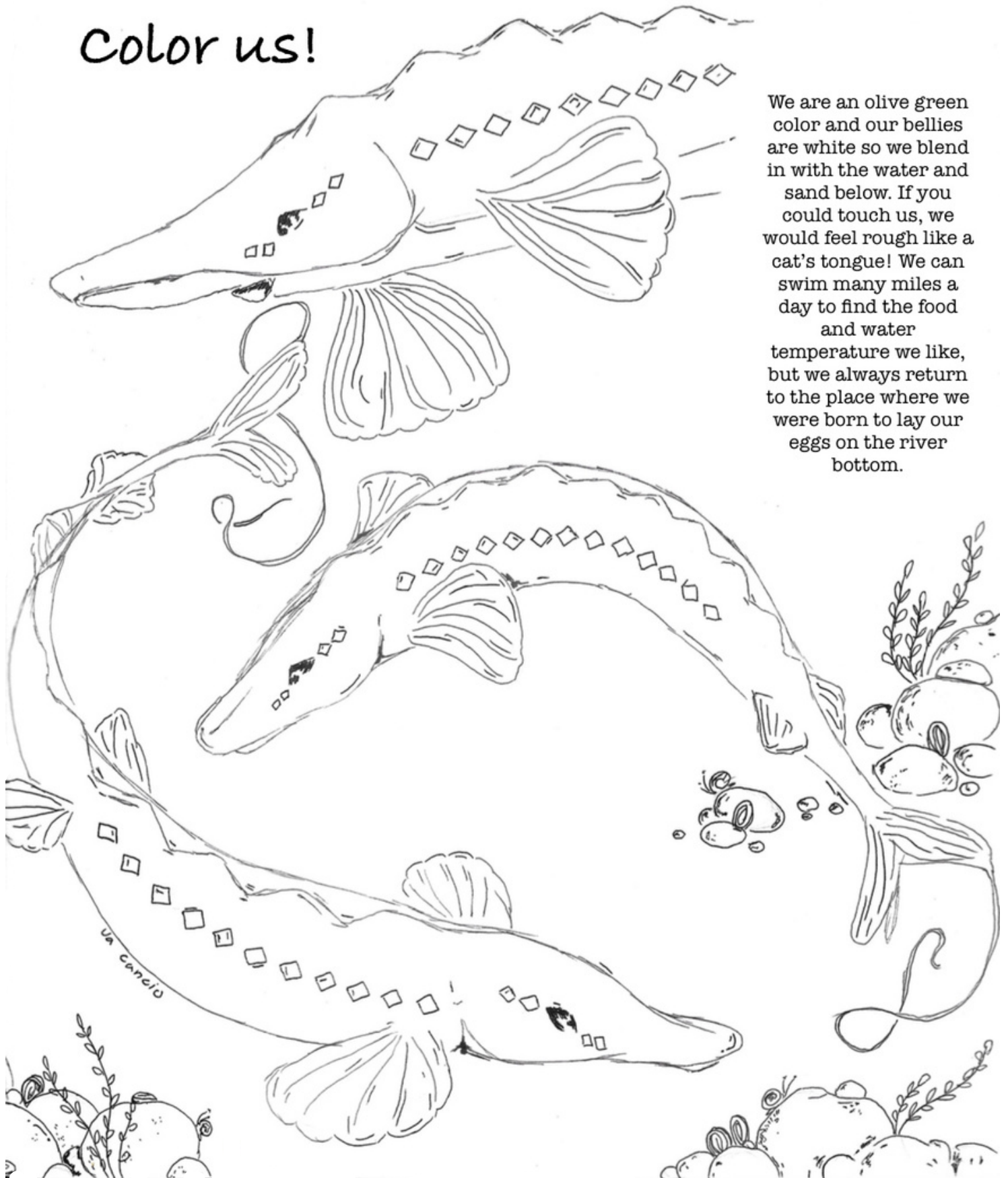


Shovelnose Sturgeon

Hi! We are three fish that live in the Arkansas River in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Our fancy name is *Scaphirhynchus platorynchus* but you can call us Greg, Violet, and Scaphir for short! Our skin is like plates of armor, and we have 4 long barbels around our mouths so we can sense our food and changes in the temperature of the water. We especially love to eat small mussels, worms, and insect larva.

Color us!



We are an olive green color and our bellies are white so we blend in with the water and sand below. If you could touch us, we would feel rough like a cat's tongue! We can swim many miles a day to find the food and water temperature we like, but we always return to the place where we were born to lay our eggs on the river bottom.