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Banggai cardinalfish

Pterapogon kauderni

The Banggai cardinalfish is a small, striking marine fish known for its bold black vertical stripes, silver body, and elongated fins. Endemic to the Banggai Archipelago in Indonesia, this species inh...

Quick facts

Classification: Fish

Family: Apogonidae

Habitat: Shallow coral reefs and seagrass beds

Diet: Carnivore

Conservation status: Endangered

Lifespan: 2-5 years

Weight: 5-7 grams

Scientific name: *Pterapogon kauderni*

Did you know?

- Unlike many reef fish, Banggai cardinalfish lack a larval dispersal stage, making their populations highly localized and vulnerable to habitat change...
- Banggai cardinalfish are one of the few marine fish species that exhibit paternal mouthbrooding, where the male carries fertilized eggs in his mouth....

What I learned
