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## Blue tang

*Paracanthurus hepatus*

The blue tang is a vibrant, oval-shaped fish known for its brilliant blue coloration and striking yellow tail. Found primarily in coral reefs throughout the Indo-Pacific region, this species is a pop...

### Quick facts

**Classification:** Fish

**Family:** Acanthuridae

**Habitat:** Coral reefs

**Diet:** Herbivore

**Conservation status:** Least Concern

**Lifespan:** 8-20 years

**Weight:** 300-600 grams

**Scientific name:** *Paracanthurus hepatus*

### Did you know?

- Despite their popularity in aquariums, blue tangs cannot be bred commercially in captivity and are almost always wild-caught.
- Blue tangs can change the intensity of their blue coloration depending on mood and environment. Their tail spines are extremely sharp and can be used...

### What I learned

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