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Butterflyfish

Chaetodon auriga

Butterflyfish are brightly colored, small to medium-sized marine fish known for their striking patterns and laterally compressed bodies. They inhabit coral reefs in tropical and subtropical oceans wo...

Quick facts

Classification: Fish

Family: Chaetodontidae

Habitat: Coral reefs

Diet: Omnivore

Conservation status: Least Concern

Lifespan: 5-10 years

Weight: 100-250 grams

Scientific name: *Chaetodon auriga*

Did you know?

- Butterflyfish are so dependent on coral reefs that their populations can rapidly decline if reefs are damaged or destroyed.
- Butterflyfish often swim in pairs, especially during breeding season, and some species mate for life. Their colorful patterns not only confuse predat...

What I learned
