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Animal Fact Sheet

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Clown triggerfish

Balistoides conspicillum

The clown triggerfish is a strikingly colorful marine fish recognized for its bold patterns of white spots and yellow markings on a black body, complemented by a yellow snout. Native to the tropical …

Quick facts

Classification: Fish
Family: Balistidae
Habitat: Coral reefs
Diet: Carnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 8-15 years
Weight: 1.5-3 kg
Scientific name: Balistoides conspicillum

Did you know?

- Clown triggerfish can wedge themselves into reef crevices and lock their dorsal spine, making it extremely difficult for predators to pull them out.
- Clown triggerfish use their powerful teeth to crush sea urchins and crustaceans. They can produce a grunting noise by grinding their teeth, which is …

What I learned

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