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Animal Fact Sheet

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Common Lionfish

Pterois volitans

The common lionfish is a strikingly beautiful marine fish known for its bold bands of red, white, and brown, as well as its long, venomous fin rays that resemble a lion's mane. Native to the Indo-Pac…

Quick facts

Classification: Fish
Family: Scorpaenidae
Habitat: Coral reefs and rocky crevices in tropical and subtropical marine waters
Diet: Carnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 10-15 years
Weight: 0.5-1.3 kg
Scientific name: Pterois volitans

Did you know?

- Lionfish are one of the fastest-growing marine invasive species in the Atlantic, causing significant declines in native fish populations due to their…
- Lionfish can consume prey up to half their own body size, and they have been recorded eating over 50 different species of fish. Their venomous spines…

What I learned

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