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Animal Fact Sheet

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Corydoras Catfish

Corydoras aeneus

The Corydoras catfish is a small, peaceful freshwater fish native to South America, known for its armored plates and distinctive whisker-like barbels around its mouth. These bottom-dwelling fish are …

Quick facts

Classification: Fish
Family: Callichthyidae
Habitat: Freshwater rivers and streams
Diet: Omnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 5-10 years
Weight: 2-7 grams
Scientific name: Corydoras aeneus

Did you know?

- Despite being fish, Corydoras catfish can survive in waters with low oxygen levels thanks to their unique ability to breathe atmospheric air.
- Corydoras catfish possess a special intestinal adaptation that allows them to absorb oxygen directly from swallowed air. Their bodies are covered in …

What I learned

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