

Animal Fact Sheet

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Four-eyed fish

Anableps anableps

The four-eyed fish is a fascinating surface-dwelling fish native to the coastal waters and estuaries of Central and South America. Its most striking feature is its unique eyes, which are divided into...

Quick facts

Classification: Fish

Family: Anablepidae

Habitat: Brackish estuaries, coastal lagoons, and slow-moving freshwater rivers

Diet: Omnivore

Conservation status: Least Concern

Lifespan: 2-4 years

Weight: 40-70 grams

Scientific name: *Anableps anableps*

Did you know?

- Despite their name, four-eyed fish actually have only two eyes—each is uniquely adapted to see both above and below the water at the same time.
- The four-eyed fish's eyes are not truly doubled, but are split so that each half focuses above or below the water. They give birth to live young inst...

What I learned
