

# Animal Fact Sheet

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## Paradise fish

*Macropodus opercularis*

The paradise fish is a strikingly colorful freshwater fish native to East Asia, known for its elongated fins and vibrant blue, red, and orange stripes. It is a labyrinth fish, meaning it can breathe ...

### Quick facts

**Classification:** Fish

**Family:** Osphronemidae

**Habitat:** Freshwater streams, ponds, and rice paddies

**Diet:** Omnivore

**Conservation status:** Least Concern

**Lifespan:** 6-8 years

**Weight:** 5-7 grams

**Scientific name:** *Macropodus opercularis*

### Did you know?

- Paradise fish can recognize their owners and display interactive behaviors, making them engaging pets.
- Paradise fish can produce sounds during courtship and aggression, which is rare among freshwater fishes. They build bubble nests, where males guard t...

### What I learned

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