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Animal Fact Sheet

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Picasso triggerfish

Rhinecanthus aculeatus

The Picasso triggerfish is a strikingly colorful and uniquely patterned marine fish found in shallow reefs and lagoons throughout the Indo-Pacific region. Its bold geometric markings of blue, yellow,…

Quick facts

Classification: Fish
Family: Balistidae
Habitat: Coral reefs and shallow lagoons
Diet: Carnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 5-10 years
Weight: 400-700 grams
Scientific name: Rhinecanthus aculeatus

Did you know?

- Picasso triggerfish are known to rearrange objects in their environment, often moving rocks and debris to create or maintain their preferred territor…
- The Picasso triggerfish can lock itself into crevices by raising its strong dorsal spine, making it difficult for predators to extract them. Their ey…

What I learned

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