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Animal Fact Sheet

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Scarlet Badis

Dario dario

The Scarlet Badis is a tiny, vividly colored freshwater fish native to the river systems of India. Males are renowned for their striking red and blue vertical stripes and elongated fins, while female…

Quick facts

Classification: Fish
Family: Badidae
Habitat: Shallow, slow-moving freshwater streams and rivers
Diet: Carnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 3-4 years
Weight: 0.2–0.5 grams
Scientific name: Dario dario

Did you know?

- Despite their bright colors and beauty, Scarlet Badis are notoriously picky eaters and often refuse commercial fish foods, requiring live or frozen f…
- Male Scarlet Badis display their brightest colors during courtship and territorial disputes. Unlike many small fish, they are micro-predators, feedin…

What I learned

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