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Animal Fact Sheet

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Scarlet cleaner shrimp

Lysmata amboinensis

The scarlet cleaner shrimp, also known as the Pacific cleaner shrimp or skunk cleaner shrimp, is a vibrantly colored marine invertebrate recognized by its bright red and white striped body and long w…

Quick facts

Classification: Invertebrate
Family: Hippolytidae
Habitat: Coral reefs
Diet: Omnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 2-3 years
Weight: 1-4 grams
Scientific name: Lysmata amboinensis

Did you know?

- Despite their tiny size, scarlet cleaner shrimp are essential to reef ecosystems because their cleaning services significantly reduce fish parasites …
- Scarlet cleaner shrimp perform a unique dance with their antennae to attract fish clients for cleaning. They are capable of cleaning even inside the …

What I learned

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