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Animal Fact Sheet

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Stargazer Fish

Uranoscopus scaber

Stargazers (family Uranoscopidae) look like a fish designed by an ambush specialist with no interest in elegance: the eyes and the huge upward-facing mouth are both on top of a flattened head, so the…

Quick facts

Classification: Fish
Family: Uranoscopidae
Habitat: Coastal marine environments, sandy or muddy sea floors
Diet: Carnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 5-8 years
Weight: 2-4 kg
Scientific name: Uranoscopus scaber

Did you know?

- Some stargazer fish can actually produce electric shocks of up to 50 volts to stun their prey or deter predators.
- The stargazer's electric organs are built from the muscles that once moved its eyes, an origin unique among electric fishes. It has both venom and el…

What I learned

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