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Animal Fact Sheet

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Triggerfish

Balistidae spp.

Triggerfish are a group of brightly colored, oval-shaped marine fish known for their tough, leathery skin and distinctive dorsal fin spines. Found primarily in tropical and subtropical oceans, these …

Quick facts

Classification: Fish
Family: Balistidae
Habitat: Coral reefs and rocky coastal areas
Diet: Carnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 7-13 years
Weight: 1-6 kg
Scientific name: Balistidae spp.

Did you know?

- Triggerfish can rotate their eyes independently, allowing them to scan for predators and prey at the same time.
- Triggerfish get their name from the 'trigger' mechanism of their dorsal fins, which they use to lock themselves into crevices for protection. Some sp…

What I learned

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