

Animal Fact Sheet

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Yellow boxfish

Ostracion cubicus

The yellow boxfish is a striking marine fish recognized for its bright yellow, box-shaped body adorned with small black spots. Native to coral and rocky reefs in the Indo-Pacific, juveniles are parti...

Quick facts

Classification: Fish

Family: Ostraciidae

Habitat: Coral and rocky reefs in tropical marine waters

Diet: Omnivore

Conservation status: Least Concern

Lifespan: 5-10 years

Weight: 0.5-1.2 kg

Scientific name: *Ostracion cubicus*

Did you know?

- Despite their clumsy appearance, yellow boxfish are surprisingly agile swimmers thanks to their specialized fin movement.
- Yellow boxfish can secrete a toxic substance called ostracitoxin when threatened. Their unique shape and coloration make them popular in the aquarium...

What I learned
