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Animal Fact Sheet

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Zebra danio

Danio rerio

The zebrafish (Danio rerio), sold in aquarium shops as the zebra danio, is one of the most consequential animals in modern medicine. Its value comes from three properties that coincide in almost no o…

Quick facts

Classification: Fish
Family: Cyprinidae
Habitat: Freshwater streams and ponds
Diet: Omnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 2-5 years
Weight: 0.3-0.5 grams
Scientific name: Danio rerio

Did you know?

- Zebra danios were the first fish species to be cloned, and their transparent embryos allow scientists to observe development in real time.
- A zebrafish can regrow a fifth of its own heart without a scar, which is the main reason it sits at the centre of cardiac regeneration research. Its …

What I learned

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