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Scientific Name: -*Odonus niger*

Family: Balistidae

Common Name: Redtooth triggerfish or Niger trigger fish.

Physical Characteristics:

Redtooth triggerfish are robust, oval-shaped fish with a large head and a mouth equipped with strong, chisel-like teeth. They have a striking colouration, with a predominantly blue body adorned with vibrant orange and yellow markings. The name "Redtooth" comes from the red colouration of their teeth.

Geographical Distribution:

Found in the Indo-Pacific region, from the eastern coast of Africa and the Red Sea to the central Pacific Ocean.

Economic Importance:

It plays a minor role in commercial fisheries, but its popularity in the aquarium trade and contribution to marine ecotourism highlight its economic importance. Conservation efforts focused on habitat protection and sustainable trade practices are essential to preserve this species and the vibrant ecosystems it inhabits.



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