

SCUBA LUV DIVE REPORT SOUTH MAUI "CRITTER OF THE WEEK"

SQUARE SPOT GOAT FISH - "weke'a"



Goat fish like to sift the sand looking for worms, molluscs and other invertebrates. It seems they are constantly foraging for food. They also use their "barbels" (whiskers) to flush out shrimp and crabs from crevices in the reef. The black spot on this species is embedded with a yellow stripe and can become quite intense while feeding but may fade or even disappear while resting. When schooling the spot can be "turned off". There are two species endemic to Hawaii.

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WATER TEMP.: 81 DEPTH: 40'
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