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BANDED SPINY LOBSTER—"ULA"



Spiny lobsters are endemic, living in tunnels and pukas, foraging for food at night on the sandy bottom adjacent to the reef. To allow them to produce the State of Hawaii prohibits taking lobsters from May through August. In addition, the taking of undersized lobsters, females with eggs or spearing lobsters is prohibited ANY TIME. The minimum legal size of the body (without the tail) is 3 1/4 " and must be measured prior to removing the lobster from it's home. They spawn four times a year, producing a half a million eggs each time and can be found in depths of a few feet down to 600'.

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WATER TEMP. 76 VIZ: 80'+

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