

List of Ornamental Marine Fishes Bred in Captivity

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Of the 1,500 or so marine species available in the hobby, fewer than 100 are captive bred with any regularity.

Here I've put together a list of ornamental marine fish that have been raised in captivity. This is not an exhaustive list, rather an ongoing compilation, and I'd welcome knowledge of any additional species that have been raised in captivity. This list ignores seahorses and elasmobranchs and is not referenced.

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Sygnathids (excluding seahorses)

Dwarf pipefish — (*Doryrhamphus excisus*)

Dottybacks

Diadem Dottyback (*Pseudochromis diadema*)

Golden Dottyback (*P. fuscus*)

Neon Dottyback (*P. aldabraensis*)

Orchid Dottyback (*P. fridmani*)

Redhead Dottyback (*P. dilectus*)

Springer's Dottyback (*P. springeri*)

Striped Dottyback (*P. sankeyi*)

Sunrise Dottyback (*P. flavivertix*)

***Bluelined Dottyback** (*P. cyanotaenia*)

***Flame Dottyback** (*Cypho purpurascens*)

***Flamehead Dottyback** (*P. steenei*)

***Olive Dottyback** (*P. olivaceus*)

***Splendid Dottyback** (*Manonichthys splendens*)

Carpet Eel Blenny — (*Congrogadus subduscens*)

Grammas

Blackcap Basslet (*Gramma melacara*)

Royal Gramma (*G. loreto*)

Assesors and Comets

Yellow Assesor (*Assessor flavissimus*)

Blue Assesor (*A. macneilli*)

Comet (*Callopleysiops altivelis*)

Jawfish

Yellowhead Jawfish (*Opistognathus aurifrons*)

Cardinalfish

Banggai Cardinalfish (*Pterapogon kauderni*)

Blue-eye Cardinal (*Apogon compressus*)

Blue-streak Cardinal (*A. leptacanthus*)

Pajama Cardinal (*Sphaeramia nematoptera*)

Jacks

Pilotfish (*Gnathanodon speciosus*)

Snappers

Emperor Snapper — (*Lutjanus sebae*)

Angelfish

Half Moon Angelfish — (*Pomacanthus maculosus*)

French Angel — (*Pomacanthus paru*)

Dwarf Angelfish

Fisher's Angelfish — (*Centropyge fisheri*)

Lemonpeel Angelfish — (*Centropyge flavissimus*)

Flame Angelfish — (*Centropyge loriculus*)

Multicolor Angelfish — (*Centropyge multicolor*)

Japanese Pygmy Angelfish — (*Centropyge interruptus*)

Resplendent Angelfish — (*Centropyge resplendens*)

Colins Angelfish — (*Centropyge colini*)

Multibarred Angelfish — (*Paracentropyge multifasciatus*)

Bandit Angelfish — (*Apothemichthys arcuatus*)

Debelius Angelfish — (*Centropyge debelius*)

(The above lists dwarf angelfishes spawned by Frank Baensch at RCT.)

Damselfish

Allard's Clown — (*Amphiprion alardi*)

Australian Clownfish — (*Amphiprion rubrocinctus*)

Clark's Clownfish — (*Amphiprion clarkii*)

Coral Sea Clownfish — (*Amphiprion melanopus*)

False Percula — (*Amphiprion ocellaris*)

Fire Clownfish — (*Amphiprion ephippium*)

Gold-Stripe Maroon Clownfish — (*Premnas biaculeatus*)

Orange Skunk Clownfish — (*Amphiprion sandaracinos*)

Pink Skunk Clownfish — (*Amphiprion periderion*)

Saddleback Clownfish — (*Amphiprion polymnus*)

Tomato Clownfish — (*Amphiprion frenatus*)

True Percula Clownfish — (*Amphiprion percula*)

Two-Banded Clownfish — (*Amphiprion bicinctus*)

***Barrier Reef Clownfish** — (*A. akindynos*)

***Blue-stripe Clownfish** — (*A. chrysopterus*)

***Rose Skunk Clownfish** — (*A. nigripes*)

***Skunk Clownfish** — (*A. akallopisos*)

***Three Band Clownfish** — (*A. tricinctus*)

Domino Damsel — (*Dascyllus trimaculatus*)
Undescribed Amglyphidid species

Convict Blenny

Convict Blenny — (*Pholidichthys leucotaenia*)

Blennies

Black-lined Fang Blenny — (*Meiacanthus nigrolineatus*)

Bundoon Blenny — (*Meiacanthus bundoon*)

Canary Blenny — (*Meiacanthus ovalaunensis*)

Disco Blenny — (*Meiacanthus smithi*)

Flametail Blenny — (*Enchelyurus flavipe*)

Forktail Blenny — (*Meiacanthus atrodorsalis*)

Green Canary Blenny — (*Meiacanthus tongaensis*)

Mozambique Fangblenny — (*Meiacanthus mossambicus*)

Striped Poison-Fang Blenny — (*Meiacanthus grammistes*)

Dragonets

Spotted Mandarin — (*Synchiropus picturatus*)

Green Mandarin — (*Synchiropus splendidus*)

Gobies

Catalina Goby — (*Lythrypnus dalli*)(Sub-tropical)

Goldline Goby — (*Gobiosoma louisae*)

Luther's Watchman Goby — (*Cryptocentrus lutheri*)

Neon Goby — (*Elacatinus evelynae*)

Neon Goby — (*Elacatinus oceanops*)

Pink-Speckled Shrimpgoby — (*Cryptocentrus leptocephalus*)

Rainford's Goby — (*Amblygobius rainfordi*)

Randall's Goby — (*Amblyeleotris randalli*)

Watchman Goby — (*Amblygobius phalaena*)

Yellow Watchman Goby — (*Cryptocentrus cinctus*)

Yellow-line Goby — (*Elacatinus figaro* (randalli))

***Citron Goby** — (*Gobiodon citrinus*)

***Greenbanded Goby** — (*Gobiosoma multifasciatum*)

***Red Head Goby** — (*Gobiosoma punctulatus*)

***Yellow Clown Goby** — (*Gobiodon okinawae*)

Filefishes

Bristletail / Green Filefish — (*Acreichthys tomentosus*)