

# CNMI FISH FACT SHEET



Specimen caught by CNMI-DFW fisheries staffs (Greg Camacho and Joe Iguel) in 500ft of water, west of Saipan.  
Photo by: CNMI Division of Fish and Wildlife.

**Scientific Name:** *Antigonia capros* (Masuda, H., et al. 1984). A member of the Boarfish family; this genus is characterized by their vertically compressed bodies.

**Common Names:** Deepbody Boarfish

**Maximum size:** 25.0 cm standard length

**Size recorded:** 16.6cm fork length

**Physiology:** Orange reddish in color, with orange yellowish margins on caudal, ventral and dorsal fins. This specie has an upward oblique protruding mouth. Boarfish also have well developed dorsal and ventral spines.

**Gender:** Female, mature.

**Habitat:** Deep-sea associated; marine; depth range 50-750 meters. Boarfish inhabits deep benthic habitats. As juveniles they are found in mid-water depths.

**Distribution:** Subtropical and tropical oceans, Western Pacific, Marianas, Hawaiian Islands, Honshu southward, South Africa and Atlantic Ocean.

**Diet:** Possibly feeds on small mollusks and crustaceans.

**Climate:** Tropical

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*This species of Boarfish is considered the most widespread species in the family.*