

# Ornamental Fish from all over the world



We can "big", too...



Ornamental fish are not necessarily small. Last week we received this juggernaut, a Panaque sp. "L191". The animal has taken the transit from Colombia in our fishhouse in stride and has settled down perfectly.

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*Eirmotus octozona*



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This tiny barb is very enigmatic. It has been described in 1959 on the basis of specimens from the aquarium fish trade which were said to originate from Thailand (Bung Borapet). However, there have been no reports since then about any occurrence of *Eirmotus* in Thailand. Ornamental fish collectors formerly collected this species in the peat swamp forest of Ayer Hitam in Johor, Malaysia. This forest has been almost destroyed for oil palm plantations and all fish that lived there seem to be extinct now. In 2008 three very similar, new species of *Eirmotus* have been described from Sumatra and Borneo. Our fish seem to belong to the "real" *E. octozona*.



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**Epiplatys** are very delicate barbs, which become only 3-4 cm long and are perfect tankmates for small blackwater tanks. Females seem to stay smaller and have a whitish basic coloration, the larger males have a very attractive orange colour. Nothing has been reported so far about the breeding biology of this unusual, very peaceful barb.



For our customers: the fish have code 414583 on our stocklist. Please note that we exclusively supply the wholesale trade.

Lexicon: Eirmotus: refers to the rows of sensitive pores on the head. octozona: means "with 8 bars"

Suggestion of a common name: Eightbarred barb

Text & photos: Frank Schäfer

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*Hemiodontichthys acipenserinus*

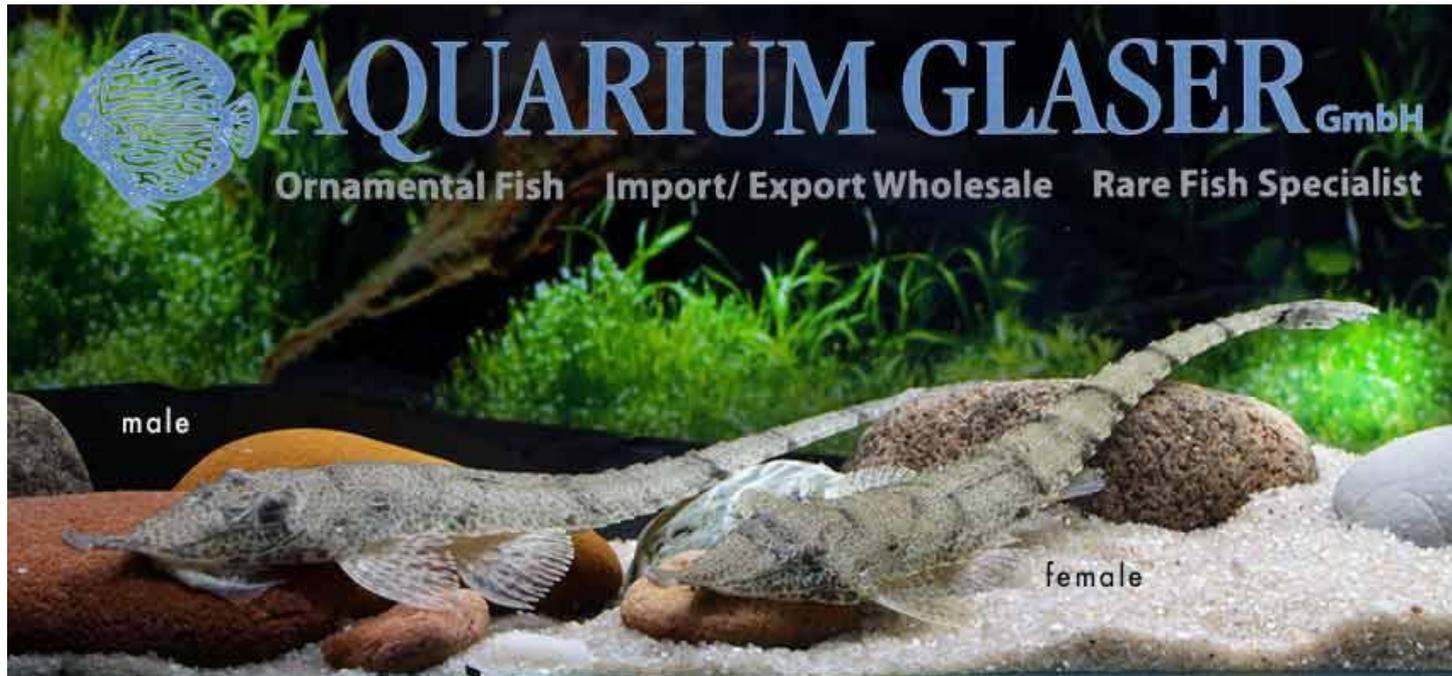


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**This species has been named "Pinocchio cat" in the trade due to its funny looking nose. The species represents the smallest of all mouthbrooding whiptail cats - it usually grows only to 10 cm total length in aquaria - and is thus very well suited for keeping. We currently were able to import these beautiful animals once more from Peru.**



**For our customers: the fish have code 257904 on our stocklist. Please note that we exclusively supply the wholesale trade..**

**Lexikon: Hemiodonthichthys: means "fish with half teeth". acipenserinus: means "looks like a sturgeon"**

**Common name: Pinocchio whiptail cat**

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