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Siganus luridus (Rüppell, 1829)

 Dusky spinefoot



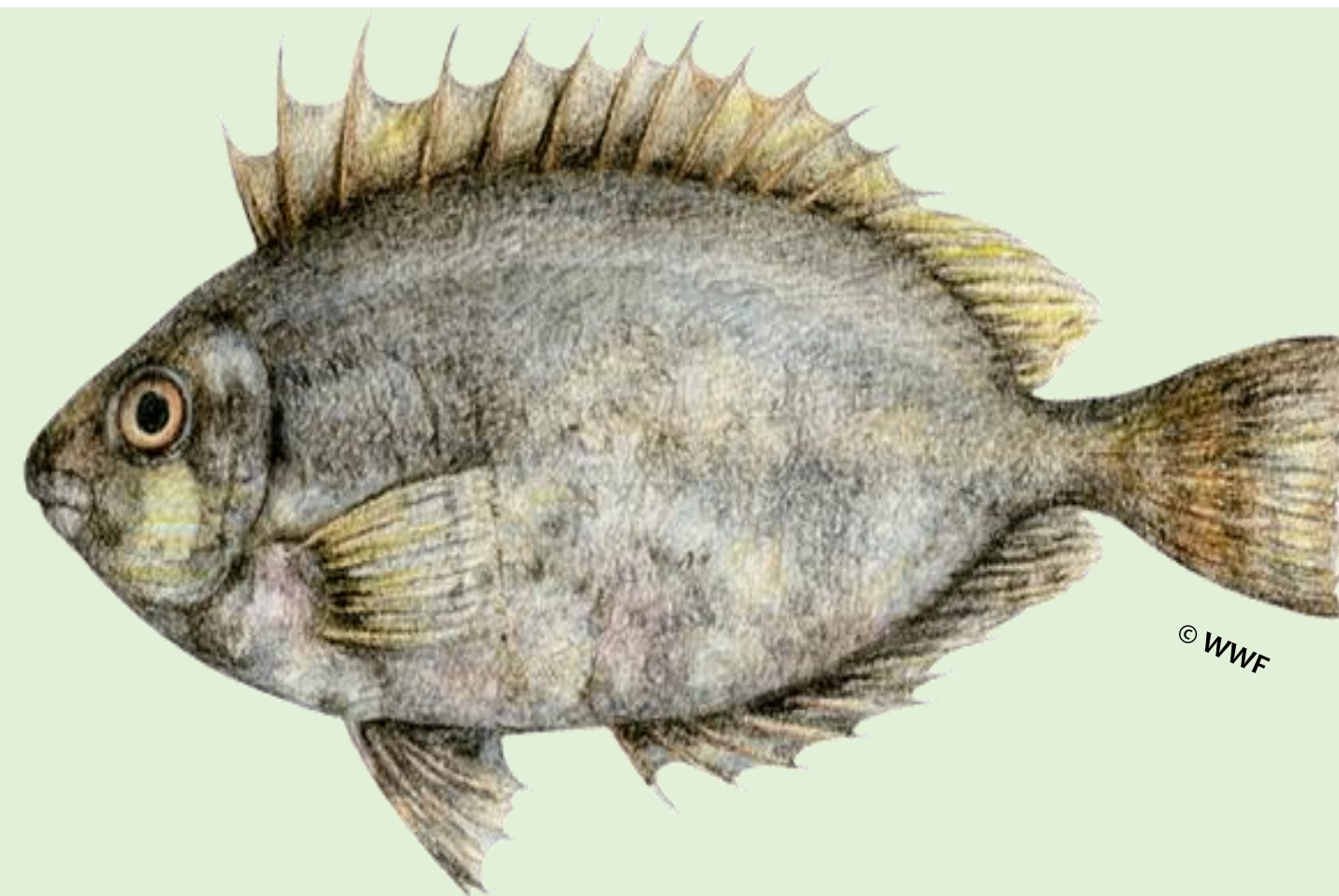
Size

As an adult, I measure between 20cm and 25 cm. I can reach 30 cm.



Habitat

I appreciate shallow coastal waters with substrates covered with algae, but also rocky and sandy bottoms up to 40 m deep. I prefer to live in small groups, possibly associated with other species, but I am also sometimes lonely.



Origins

Native to the Indian Ocean, I also appreciate the pleasant waters of the Red Sea. I am very curious : I entered the Suez Canal and reached the eastern Mediterranean sea. With global warming, I am increasingly enjoying the Mediterranean, where I find new regions to settle. I was observed in France for the first time in 2008 in Marseille.



Diet

I am a herbivore: I eat benthic algae and marine phanerogams.



Eat me !

Nowadays I'm common in the eastern Mediterranean, I am fished there and people eat me because of my tasty white flesh my lower price. In the North-Western Mediterranean, I remain little known for local fishermen and restaurateurs. As my population may increase in the future, I could become more popular in this new region as well.

Source: fishbase/ DORIS



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