

Mudskipper

Periophthalmus sp.



Water Conditions

Brackish

- pH 7.0 – 8.0,
- SG 1.015—1.020

Artificial sea salt should be used to achieve the desired salinity.

Temperature

24 °C - 28°C

Distribution

Found in tropical and sub-tropical waters along the northern coast of Australia. Mudskippers are able to live on land as well as in water, and can be frequently found in mangrove swamps.

Feeding

Mudskippers enjoy Live Worm, and can also be successfully trained to eat Frozen worm and Freeze-Dried Black Worm.

Size

Maximum up to 18cm

Housing

Mudskippers are able to leave the water, so take care to provide them with a large, shallow tank with some soft sand and plenty of mangrove roots where they can rest. As their skin needs to be moist, ensure that the air in the tank is humid.

Compatibility

Mudskippers fare well with other brackish species such as the Archer Fish, Mono Argent and even Mollies.

Behaviour

Mudskippers can be territorial and will raise and lower their dorsal fins in aggressive displays. Keeping too many in one tank can lead to fights, often to the death. It is preferable to have only one Mudskipper per tank.

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