# **Barcoo Grunter**

## Scortum Barcoo



#### Range

Wide-spread over Central and Central Northern Australia.

#### **Maximum Size**

In nature grows up to a maximum size of 35cm

#### **Water Quality**

- Temperature: 20°C - 28°C.

· pH: 6.8—7.2

· General Hardness: 50—200ppm.

### **Feeding**

An aggressive feeder, the Barcoo Grunter prefers live fresh and frozen foods. It will readily take dry foods however.

#### **Colour and Varieties**

Barcoo Grunters are a silvery grey colour but have an extremely unusual colour pattern of black blotches, spread irregularly in varying numbers in different positions on each side of the fish.

#### **General Information**

As with other "Grunters" this species becomes territorial and aggressive as it approaches maturity. It should be provided with a large tank with plenty of swimming places and hiding spaces. Juveniles (pictured above) mix well together and will live in communities of other tough fish, of approximately their own size.

An unusual and rarely available species that takes particularly well to aquarium conditions.

