

Burmese Rummynose

Sawbwa resplendens

Natural Range

Burmese Rummynose come from Myanmar. They have a limited distribution in Inle Lake and its surrounding waters.

Maximum Size and Longevity

Burmese Rummynose can grow to a length of 4cm, and will live for 2 to 3 years if kept in the correct conditions.

Water Quality

The Burmese Rummynose can be sensitive to temperature and prefer slightly alkaline water:

- Temperature: 21 - 25 °C
- pH: 7.0 —7.5
- GH: 150 - 250ppm

Feeding

Burmese Rummynose are omnivores and generally eat a wide range of feeds. Feed a variety of foods such as small frozen plankton or daphnia, and a good flake. Be sure to provide food that is small enough for their tiny mouths.

Compatibility

This fish is quite peaceful in a species tank or in a community, although the males can get 'nippy' when in spawning condition. These fish are schooling in nature and best kept in groups of six fish, preferably more. If possible, having more females than males will help keep the males from being aggressive toward one another. As these fish are quite small, they may not compete well for food in a community setting with larger species, and could easily be scared into hiding. So, a large shoal is best for these rasboras.



Colour and Variety

A small silvery—blue coloured fish. Males develop red tips on nose and fins.

Sexing

The male has the "rummy-red" nose and red tips on the tail fin. Males have a milky or blue-ish body and are generally larger than the female. Females lack the red colouration and typically are more silver in colour.

General Information

As these are lake fish, they prefer little or no water movement. They colour best when their natural habitat is replicated in a peaceful species or community tank. These hardy little fish prefer a heavily planted tank, with places to hide. The tank should be covered as these fish can jump if scared.

Ease of aquarium keeping = 3

(1 = easy, 5 = difficult).

Misc. Tropical