



### OPHTHALMOTILAPIA VENTRALIS MOBA

*Ophthalmotilapia ventralis*



### ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

This mouthbrooding Cichlid is one of several species known as Featherfins: mature males have long ventral fins with bright 'egg-dummies' at the fin tips. This species prefers fine sand, it occurs in a wide range of geographic populations.

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### KEEPING SNAPSHOT

**Difficulty:** Intermediate  
**Max Growth Size:** 15 cm  
**Temperament:** Territorial, particularly males.

### PREFERRED WATER PARAMETERS

**Temperature:** 23-27 degrees celsius  
**pH Level:** 7.8-9.0  
**General Hardness:** Hard

### RANGE

Africa: Lake Tanganyika

### REPRODUCTION

Mouthbrooder, females incubate the eggs in their mouth until the fry are free-swimming.

### FEEDING

Carnivorous. Eats all normal foods.



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