



Care Sheet

JACK DEMPSEY

'Cichlasoma' octofasciatum



KEEPING SNAPSHOT

Difficulty: Intermediate

Max Growth Size: 20 cm

Temperament: Aggressive, keep with robust types.

PREFERRED WATER PARAMETERS

Temperature: 23-27 degrees celsius

pH Level: 7.2 - 7.8

General Hardness: Moderate

RANGE

South Mexico, Guatemala, Belize, Honduras

REPRODUCTION

Eggs are laid on a hard surface, the eggs (and hatched fry) are guarded by both parents.

FEEDING

Carnivorous. Dry foods and frozen foods.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

Named after Jack Dempsey the boxer, this species is a very robust type, best kept with Cichlids, large catfish etc. Both sexes develop bright blue-green spangles over their body as they mature, adults in breeding condition are very striking.

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