



### SOOTY GRUNTER

*Hephaestes fuliginosus*



angling species, they are also very good for anyone wanting a very robust 'pet fish'. Becomes very tame in captivity and very responsive to their owner. Capable of intimidating much larger tankmates. Long lived (eg 10+ years for well cared specimens).

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### KEEPING SNAPSHOT

**Difficulty:** Intermediate  
**Max Growth Size:** 45 cm  
**Temperament:** Aggressive.

### PREFERRED WATER PARAMETERS

**Temperature:** 18-27 degrees celsius  
**pH Level:** 6.8 - 7.8  
**General Hardness:** Moderate

### RANGE

Northern Australia

### REPRODUCTION

Egg scatterer, usually only spawned in captivity after hormone injection.

### FEEDING

Carnivore, readily accepts most foods. Relishes live prey.

### ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

Sooty Grunter are well known as an