



2013 WINTER PRINT: SAILFIN BLENNY

Dear REEF Friend,

This year's photo is a male Sailfin Blenny that I photographed while diving in Tobago. Sailfin Blenny are a great fishwatcher sighting in the Caribbean. Colonies of these tiny 2-inch fish are found in rubble/sand areas near coral reefs. The females do not have a fixed home, but rather move around the colony checking out the burrows of breeding males. To lure a female into their burrow, a male Sailfin Blenny will periodically emerge from his shelter and quickly raise and lower his large dorsal fin. A male may complete more than 1,100 such flagging episodes a day!

Best "Fishes"
Paul Humann

Thank you for supporting marine conservation!