Black Scissortail Dartfish
Ptereleotris evides

Common Names
The Scissortail Goby, Black Scissor Dartfish and Blackfin Dartfish

Natural Range
Indo-Pacific region

Maximum Size and Longevity
Maximum size 12cm, with an average life span of 5+ years.

Water Quality
- Temperature: 24°C — 26°C
- PH: 8.0 — 8.4
- Specific gravity: 1.020 — 1.025

Feeding
Their diet should consist of a variety of live, frozen, and dried foods. This species has a very active metabolism, so they benefit greatly from being fed a few times a day. We recommend combining dry pellet food with Aquarium Industries Naturals Range Frozen Brine Shrimp or Mysis, to help fuel their active lifestyle.

Compatibility
Black Scissortail Dartfish are a peaceful, social species that are very popular in community reef aquariums. They are great for beginners as well as the more advanced hobbyist as they are an attractive and hardy species.

Colour and Varieties
Black Scissortail Dartfish get their name from the colouration of their caudal fin which is very dark on the both sides, while it remains transparent in the middle section it gives the appearance of a pair of "scissors". It has a white head and blue body with large dorsal and anal fins making it an attractive addition to any aquarium.

Sexing
This species shows no obvious differences between the male and female.

General Information
Black Scissortail Dartfish require ample swimming room, and a tight-fitting lid to prevent them from jumping. They can be kept as a single individual or as pairs and even in groups. They can also be housed with other Gobies.

They spend most of their time in mid water cruising for food, rather than retreating to their burrow like many other fish in this genus. Given this fact we suggest you maintain a moderate current in your aquarium. The Black Scissortail Dartfish is an Aquarium Industries recommended "must have" for any marine tank.

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