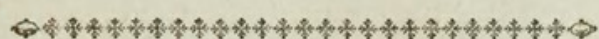


SCARUS VIRIDIS.



CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Caput: *Dentium* loco maxillæ ipsæ eminentes ;
margine dentato-crenatæ ossæ.

Membrana branchiosæga radiis quinque ; Oper-
culum integerrimum.

Corpus: Linea lateralis plurimis ramosa.

Lin. Syst. Nat. Gmel. p. 1280.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

SCARUS viridis, linea laterali interrupta.

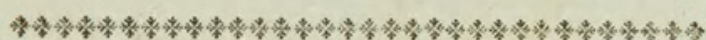
SCARUS linea laterali interrupta.

Bloch austr. Fisch. 7. t. 222.

Ad generis *Scari* distinctionem insignis est forma dentium, qui constant e duabus quasi maxillis seu laminis ossæis in utraque mandibula sitis, quales sunt in genere *Tetrodontis* ; margine vero serie denticulorum separatorum crenata. Hæ quoque ipsæ laminæ ossæ, si accuratius inspiciantur, constare videntur in nonnullis speciebus e congerie quasi dentium minorum, super se invicem serie continuata surgentium, adeo ut belle cælatas putes. Squamæ pluribus scaris magnæ sunt, et colores vividi. Scarus quem ostendit tabula, æquat magnitudine *Cyprium Carpionem*, et alitur in aquis Japonicis.



THE
GREEN SCARUS.



GENERIC CHARACTER.

Strong *bony processes*, crenated at the edges, instead of teeth.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER.

Green SCARUS, with interrupted lateral line.

The genus *Scarus* is eminently distinguished by the form of its teeth, which consist of a pair of strong, bony processes in each jaw, as in the genus *Tetrodon*; but marked or crenated round the edges by a number of separate denticulations: the whole body also of the bony processes themselves, if narrowly examined, will be found to consist, in some species, of a kind of aggregate mass of smaller teeth, placed as it were in succession over each other, and giving a beautiful kind of carved appearance to the whole. The scales in most of the *Scari* are large, and the colors beautiful. The present species is about the size of a Carp, and is a native of Japan.



Shaw, George. 1797. "The Green Scarus, *Scarus viridis* [Pl. 286]." *The Naturalist's Miscellany* 8(XCIII), <https://doi.org/10.5962/p.310829>.

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