

The Bloody Deepwalker

Coptodon bythobates – By John Moyles

Temperament: Mildly Aggressive

Place of Origin: Lake Bermin

Average Adult Fish Size: 3-5"

Feeding: Omnivore, high quality flake food supplemented with frozen food and live blackworms



This is a very attractive little cichlid, with an olive green body with red on the underside, especially when in breeding condition. One very unusual feature is that as the fish mature, they develop what looks like white lipstick on their mouths. From what we know it is a brood spawner - the parents will spawn in a shallow depression and vigorously protect their young. When not breeding they are mild mannered and get along well with other non-aggressive species. Aggression does intensify during spawning as I learned when the breeding pair killed of all of their tankmates and then each other.