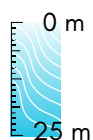
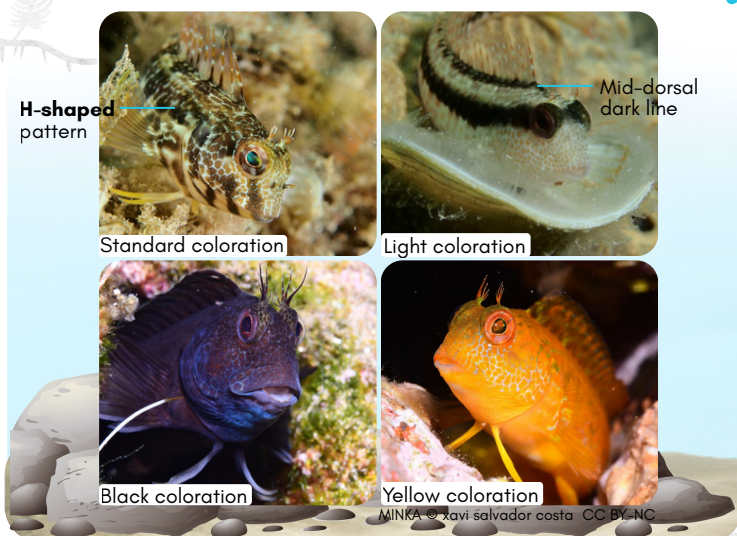


Ringneck blenny - *Parablennius pilicornis*



IDENTIFICATION CRITERIA

Body shape : Continuous dorsal fin, 4 supraorbital tentacles above each eye

Color : Honeycomb pattern on the cheeks

- **Standard coloration:** Light brown body with dark vertical bands forming H-shaped patterns.
- **Light coloration with dark bands:** Cream-white body with 3 dark longitudinal stripes.
- **Black coloration:** Specific to males during reproduction, entirely black with a dark spot at the front of the dorsal fin.
- **Bright yellow coloration:** Uniform hue ranging from canary yellow to bright orange.

ECOLOGICAL AND ECONOMIC IMPACTS

Its **high density** in shallow rocky areas, combined with its **voracity** and **territoriality**, results in direct **competition** with native benthic species. This spatial and food rivalry **alters the local balance** of these communities.

FUN FACTS

The male **cares for the eggs**

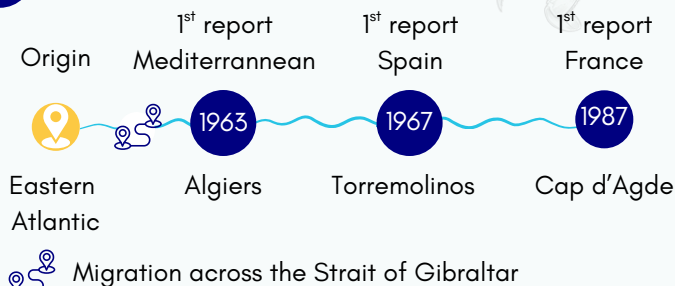
No **swim bladder**: If it does not swim, it sinks

Scaleless

Sources (details page "Credits") : Canterle et al. (2022); Ditty et al. (2005); Pastor et al. (2010)

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ITS HISTORY



SIMILAR SPECIES

Surprise blenny - *Parablennius incognitus*

Longer supraorbital tentacles



Tompot blenny - *Parablennius gattorugine*



Dark vertical bands

More numerous, tree-like branched supraorbital tentacles

Striped blenny - *Parablennius rouxi*

Lacks a mid-dorsal dark line

Fine blue stripes



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