



## SCUBA LUV DIVE REPORT SOUTH MAUI

### “CRITTER OF THE WEEK”

#### “ BLACK LIPPED BUTTERFLYFISH”



This small species has a distinct bar through the eye. In Hawaii, they feed primarily on plankton, however, they will sometimes act as “ cleaners” for manta rays . For the last several weeks, it has been reported that schools of juveniles are literally **EVERWHERE IN SOUTH MAUI!** Every healthy coral head will have from one hundred to several hundred of these little guys. Divers that have lived here for twenty years say they have never seen this species in such huge numbers on our local reefs!

They grow to about 5”.....

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**WATER TEMP.: 82 DEPTH: 45'**  
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