

## SCUBA LUV DIVE REPORT "CRITTER OF THE WEEK" (808) 870-2738 KANGOROO NUDIBRANCH



They feed primarily on sponges, a single species of nudibranch often preying exclusively on a single species of sponge .Toxins produced by the sponge are absorbed into the nudibranch's body, producing a toxic nudibranch whose bright colors warn away potential predators. This species is larger than most Hawaiian species and occasionally hosts the small commensal shrimp. The Kangaroo Nudibranch's colors range from orange-gold to brownish-orange mottled with white. They have purple dots thru out, including one at the tip of each rhinophore. They grow to about 3".....

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