



## SCUBA LUV MAUI DIVE REPORT

### SOUTH MAUI

#### “CRITTER OF THE WEEK”

#### MOORISH IDOL - ” kihikihi “



Classic reef fish, living symbols of the exotic undersea world, they have light gold bodies with jet black bands, long orange and white striped snouts and graceful trailing filaments. They typically swim in pairs, often coming to shore to graze in shallow water, they feed primarily on sponges. Adults have a thorn like spine in front of each eye which is larger on males than females. Juveniles, in absence of their own kind, will sometimes hang with Pennant Butterflyfish. They are active and high strung and surprisingly aggressive. They grow to about 8” and can be found in the Indo-Pacific and Eastern Pacific, but are absent from the Red Sea....

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