

Nothobranchius rachovii

AHL, (1926)



Original Description:

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Neue oder selten importierte Fische, III. Blätter für Aquarien- und Terrarienkunde, 37 (14): 346–348.

Redescription:

Shidlovskiy, Watters & Wildekamp (2010)

Notes on the annual killifish species *Nothobranchius rachovii* (Cyprinodontiformes; Nothobranchiidae) with the description of two new species

Zootaxa 2724: 37–57

Etymology:

The species epithet is given in honour of Arthur Rachow, German aquarist and amateur ichthyologist.

Description:

A robust *Nothobranchius* of a moderate size of 4 cm

Type locality:

Beira, Mozambique

Habitat and Distribution:

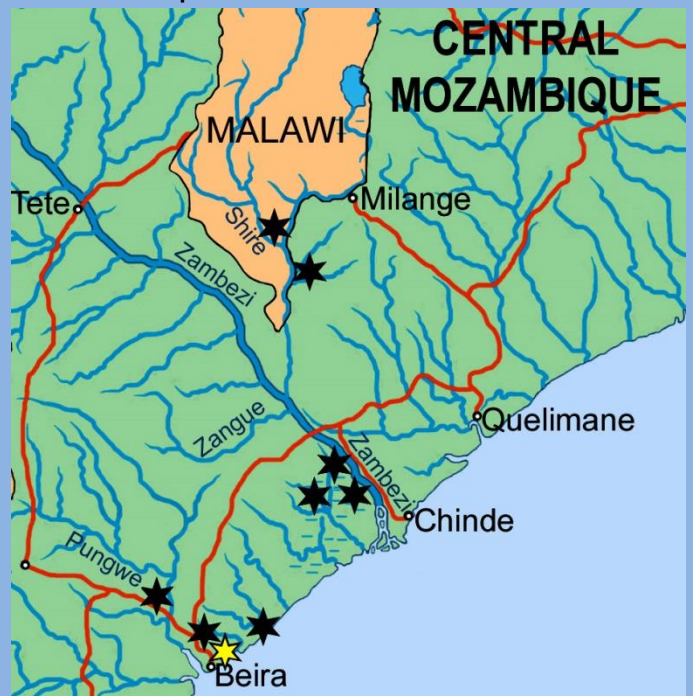
This species is endemic to seasonal freshwater habitats in eastern Mozambique and southern Malawi. It is known from temporary pools and swamps or water-filled depressions in the lowland floodplains of the lower Pungwe and lower Zambezi Rivers in eastern Mozambique, and the lower Shire river system in southern Malawi, and the immediately adjacent part of west-central Mozambique

Maintenance and Breeding:

Trios or group spawning is recommended. An incubation period of between 5 and 7 months sometimes longer, depending on the temperature at which the peat is stored and moisture content. The fry are able to eat Brine Shrimp nauplii immediately and grow rapidly reaching sexual maturity at about six weeks.

IUCN Red List:

Least Concern



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Yellow star denotes the type locality

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