

Hi, my name is Kari and I'm a *Stenocranus rotundipennis*, also known as a Reef Triggerfish. My native Hawaiian name is *hanehanehane* and I'm a real tough winter fish! It's definitely one of the larger wracks out there. It means 'triggerfish with a crest like a pig'. My species is typically found in the western and central waters of the Pacific ocean, especially around Hawaii. We're carnivores and we have teeth that we use to eat shrimp, small fish, and crabs. We often sail through the sand with our mouths, looking for something to eat. I don't like to have company and I'm pretty solitary. I also don't like to have any of my same species near me. I'm pretty aggressive and have been known to attack swimmers, but I don't really do much damage. I can remember my coloration if I'm sleeping or if I feel threatened my colors are faded down. If I'm happy and healthy I will have bright, cheerful colors.

Enough of the boring stuff, I want to tell you a little bit about my life. I live in a reef off of Waikiki beach in Honolulu, Hawaii. I'm pretty confident swimmers swimming around my reef, so I just try to avoid them. I don't like to get too deep into the ocean, so I just stay in shallow reefs. If I feel threatened by a predator, I swim as fast as I can to the nearest rock or canopy in the reef and hide myself in there. It's really hard for a predator to get me out. I'm friends with a *Pomacentrus nigripinnis* who's name is Kaku who lives on the same reef as me. Kaku and I often reflect on how our reef has changed over the years. At one time I remember it being vibrant and full of life, but now it has turned lighter and dead. There used to be so many species alive here, but now they are gone. A few days back here I felt sad and in tears, so I went to some other reef to see if there