



http://www.fws.gov/southeast/ChattahoocheeForest/StreamTeam_web_files/slide0100_image189.jpg

Central Stoneroller

Campostoma anomalum

Characteristics

- ventral mouth like suckers, but without flesh
- lower jaw with separate cartilaginous ridge
- crescent shaped bar through dorsal fin
- breeding males brightly colored, with prominent pearl organs on head: females and non-breeding males much less colorful
- prominent arch in back



<http://www.narietta.edu/~biol/biomes/streamtour.htm>

Ecology and Distribution

- found in most creeks in the FCW; pollution tolerant
- prefers riffles of small to medium-sized streams of moderate gradient
- feeds mainly on benthic algae and associated invertebrates
- spawns in spring, moves up small tributaries



<http://www.jonansaquarium.com/piccanomalumtank.htm>