



Greenside Darter *Etheostoma blennioides*

<http://gallery.nanfa.org/v/members/farmertodd/darter/etheostoma/blennioides/greenside05.jpg.html>

Characteristics

- yellow-green w/ 5-8 green Ws, Us, or bars on sides of body
- 6-7 square dark green saddles; brown to dark red spots on upper side
- dorsal fins red along base; green on male, clear-dusky on female
- skin on rear of upper lip fused to skin of snout; unique to this species *
- blunt snout; broadly joined branchiostegal membranes
- cheek scaled, dusky teardrop;
- largest of all *Etheostoma* species



<http://www.ohiodnr.com/Wildlife/Fishing/aquariums-fishid/greendar.htm>

Ecology and Distribution

- found in rocky riffles of creeks and small to medium rivers; shores of large lakes
- tolerant of wide range of conditions