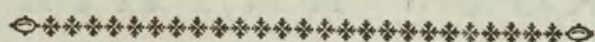


ANTHIAS ARGUS.



CHARACTER GENERICUS.

Caput totum squamosum; operculo anteriore ferrato.

Bloch. ichth. 9. p. 86.

CHARACTER SPECIFICUS, &c.

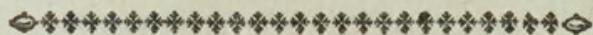
ANTHIAS argenteo-cærulefcens, maculis numerosis ocellaribus fuscis.

ANTHIAS maculis rotundis.

Bloch. ichth. 9. p. 95. t. 317.

Anthiæ genus instituit celeberrimus Blochius. Continentur in illo multæ species eximiæ pulchritudinis, quarum nullis cedit elegantia animal quod in tabula ostenditur, argenteo-album, partibus superioribus colore læte cæruleo obductis, maculisque annulatis seu ocellatis fuscis, quarum alba sunt centra, undique guttatum. Carent puncto albo quæ caput, pinnas pectorales, et ventrales occupant minores maculæ. De patria nihil pro certo cognitum. In longitudinem duodecim unciarum crescit Anthias Argus. In genere *Percæ* locum illi proculdubio assignasset systema Linnæanum.

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ARGUS ANTHIAS.



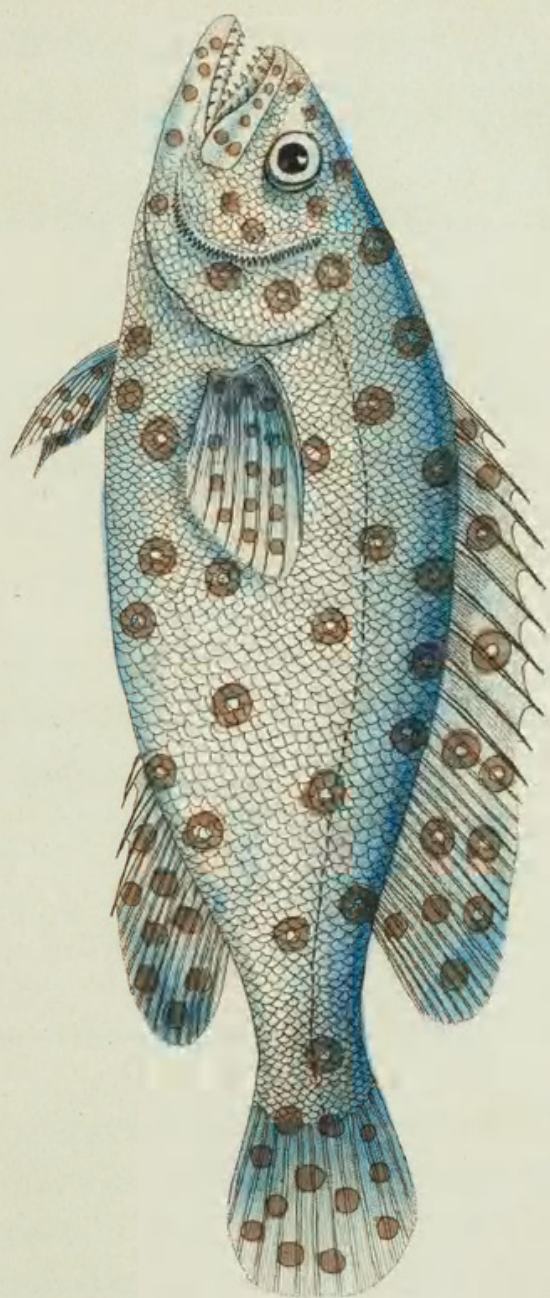
GENERIC CHARACTER.

Head completely scaled: anterior gill-cover serrated.

SPECIFIC CHARACTER.

Silvery-blueish ANTHIAS, with numerous ocellated brown spots.

The genus Anthias, instituted by Dr. Bloch, contains several species of extreme beauty; of which the animal here represented is certainly one of the most elegant. Its color is a silvery white, tinged with fine blue on the upper parts, and marked all over with annular or ocellated spots of a brown color with white centres. On the head, pectoral and ventral fins, the spots are smaller and without the white centres. The native country of this fish seems unknown. It grows to about the length of a foot. In the Linnæan arrangement it would doubtless have been placed in the genus Perca.



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