

Giant Gourami (Osphronemus Goramy)

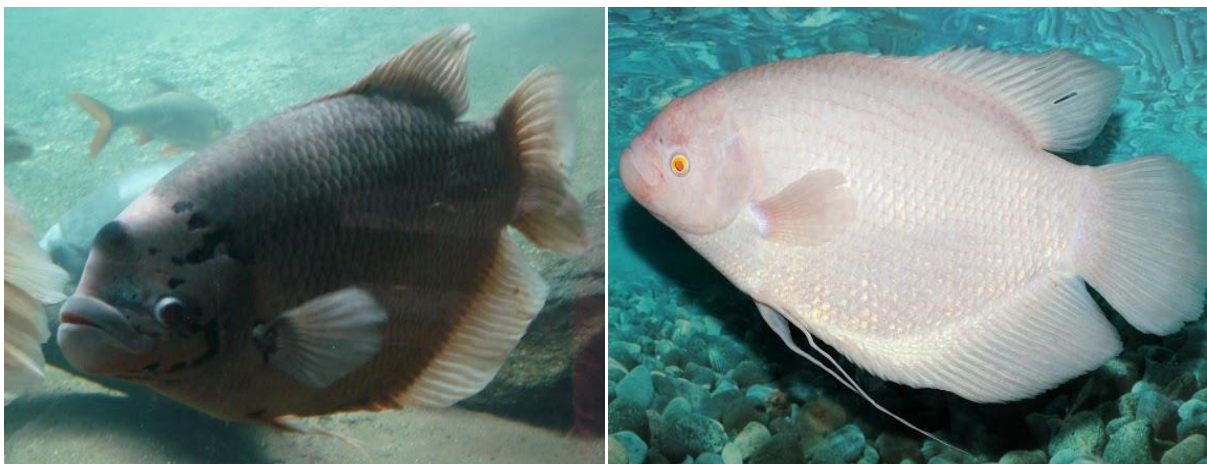
Distribution: Java, Sumatra, Southeast Asia

Water temperature: 24-25 degrees Celsius

Max size: Up to 24 inches (and 9-10Kg)

Ideal tank size: At least 700 litres or above

Go big, go Gourami! What a stunning beast, they are sold nice and small but grow extremely large. Golden and albino variations are also available. This fish is only suitable to a very large home aquarium or a public display aquarium.



They should be kept alone due to their size and if frightened can cause some serious tank destruction. They are sometimes kept with Pacu in large public aquariums along with other large fish.

A very thin sand substrate would be ideal just to give the bottom of the tank a covering. Big rocks and large pieces of bogwood would be ideal, providing adequate open swimming areas are still available. In some of their local areas they are known as 'water pigs', so they will eat anything they are given and in big quantities.