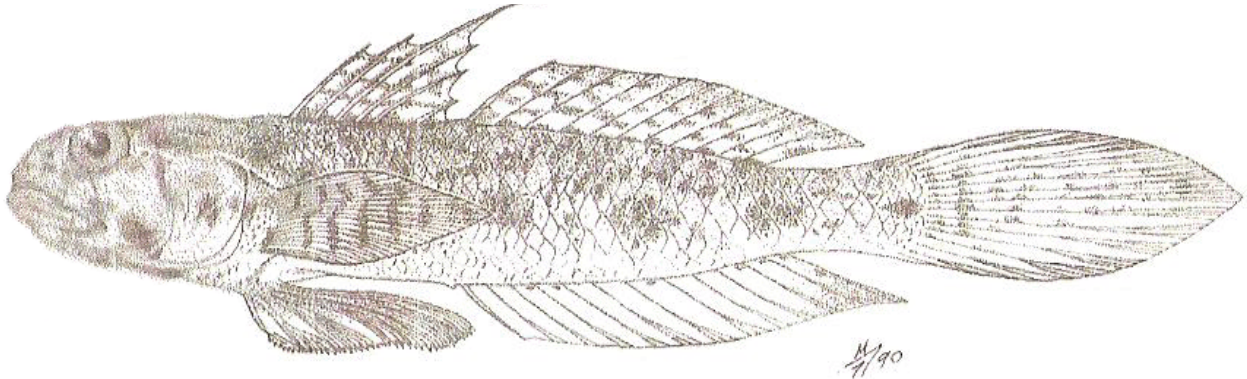


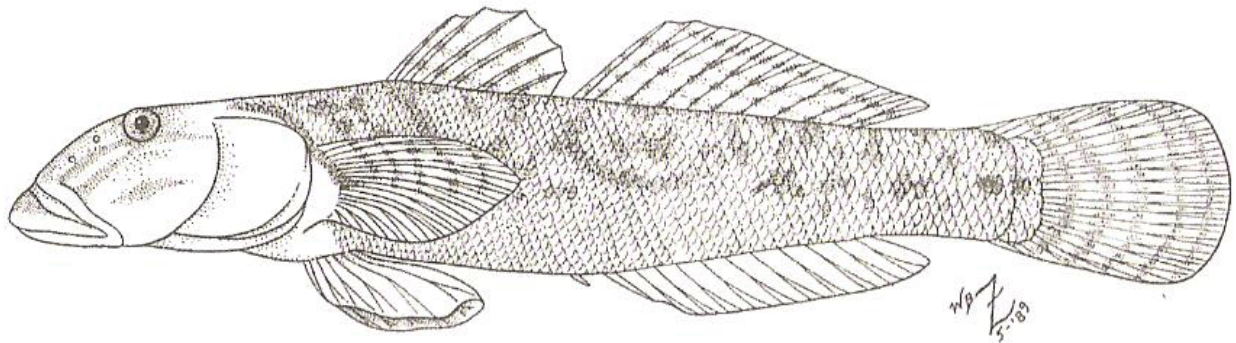
## What is a Goby? Now You Know!

A goby is a species of fish in the Gobiidae family. They are fresh and estuarine (brackish) water fish, requiring clean water to survive. There are two species of goby fishes in the St. Sebastian River, one having only been discovered by Dr. Grant Gilmore in the late 1970s, but are more widespread throughout the Caribbean.



Slashcheek goby, from *Rare & Endangered Biota of Florida*

The slashcheek goby is the smaller of the two, reaching only about 1.7 inches in length. The slashcheek goby occurs only in a few locations along the eastern coast of Florida, and nowhere else in the United States.



River goby, from *Rare & Endangered Biota of Florida*

The river goby is larger than the slashcheek goby, reaching a length of about 11 inches. The river goby is found in many locations around the southeastern United States, but only found regularly in similar locations as the slashcheek, along the eastern coast of Florida.

For more information about the slashcheek and river goby, see the book "Rare & Endangered Biota of Florida," by Dr. Grant Gilmore, et. al.