

Apistogramma Ecological data

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Ecological conditions of Apistogramma habitat, by species.

Data archived in this file are extracted from Table 2: Habitat preferences and degree of specialisation of *Apistogramma*-species, pp. 194-195 (Römer 2006).

Each field assigned a value of 'yes', 'no', 'occasional' or 'NA'.

Fields are defined as follows:

species – species identity in the genus Apistogramma

The following are characteristics of the water bodies where the species occur:

creek – small, isolated creeks

riverine – larger bodies of water

generalized – also found in lakes and stagnant water

rocky – presence of rock structures

The following are characteristic freshwater South American water 'types':

clearwater – low turbidity, moderate mineral content, low tannin content

blackwater – low turbidity, low mineral content, high tannin content

whitewater – high turbidity, moderate-high mineral content, low tannin content

The following are characteristics of the surrounding terrestrial habitat:

shaded – shaded by surrounding forest

open – open country; sandbanks, grasslands

The following are the river systems in which the species have been found to occur:

Amazon – The Amazon river drainage basin

Orinoco – The Orinoco river drainage basin, mostly Venezuela and Colombia

Paraguay – The Paraguay river drainage basin; Paraguay, Brazil, Argentina, Bolivia

Other_Basin - other water systems

Reference Material:

Römer, U. 2006. Cichlid Atlas Volume 2. 1st Ed. Melle, Germany: Mergus.