

# Bearded Rock Cod

## *Pseudophycis barbata*



Bearded Rock Cod, *Pseudophycis barbata*, photo courtesy of Rudie Kuitert.

This fish is also known as a Beardie and is usually seen deep in caves during the day as it is night active. It is recognised by the long softly undulating eel-like tail but still with a distinct small tail. The beard reference is to small sensory barbels under the chin of this fish. They can be seen hunting at night adjacent to rocky reef areas.