RARE FISH FOUND IN NULLARBOR

Tiny, blind fish have been discovered by an Adelaide group of pot-holers - in the Nullarbor.

Members of the group were exploring some Nullarbor caves when they saw fish swimming in subterranean pools.

They caught some of the 2in.-long fish and took them to the South Australian Museum for identification, thinking them to be a variety of eel.

The museum identified them as blind gudgeon - one of the rarest varieties in Australia.

The fish had been found before only on a remote part of North-West Cape in Western Australia.

The fish are thought to have been carried to the Nullarbor along one of the underground streams proved by geologists to run under the dead heart of Australia.

The fish spend all their lives underground and have evolved to the point of not needing eyes.