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MID-SEASON REPORT

ALUNAN CORAL PROJECT
ALUNAN RESORT, PERHENTIAN





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OUR PRIMARY METHOD: CORAL POT



Our pots are made from portland cement & casted together with coral rubble to increase surface complexity. Coral pots are then conditioned to allow pH to drop to a more conducive surface for coral to attach to.

CORAL LOGS

- Each coral log holds five coral pots.
- Surface complexity from coral rubble and larger surface area allows natural coral recruits & other sessile invertebrates to settle.
- Compact profile of the logs reduces sedimentation while allowing enough surface area for colonies to grow.
- Metal rebar on both ends ease relocation of units.
- Sustainable Log-Pot system allows for easy maintenance and replacement of unsuccessful coral fragments

Mobile

Reuseable

**Secure
substrate**

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Introduction

OUR IMPACT

1,122

Total Corals Planted

2,652

Eco-snorkelling Participants

31.3K

People Reached Globally
*Instagram account reach

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Public Lectures

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Guest Lectures
(UNITAR, UMT)

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Internship
(UMT, UKM, USCI)

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Introduction



59.45%

CORAL SURVIVORSHIP

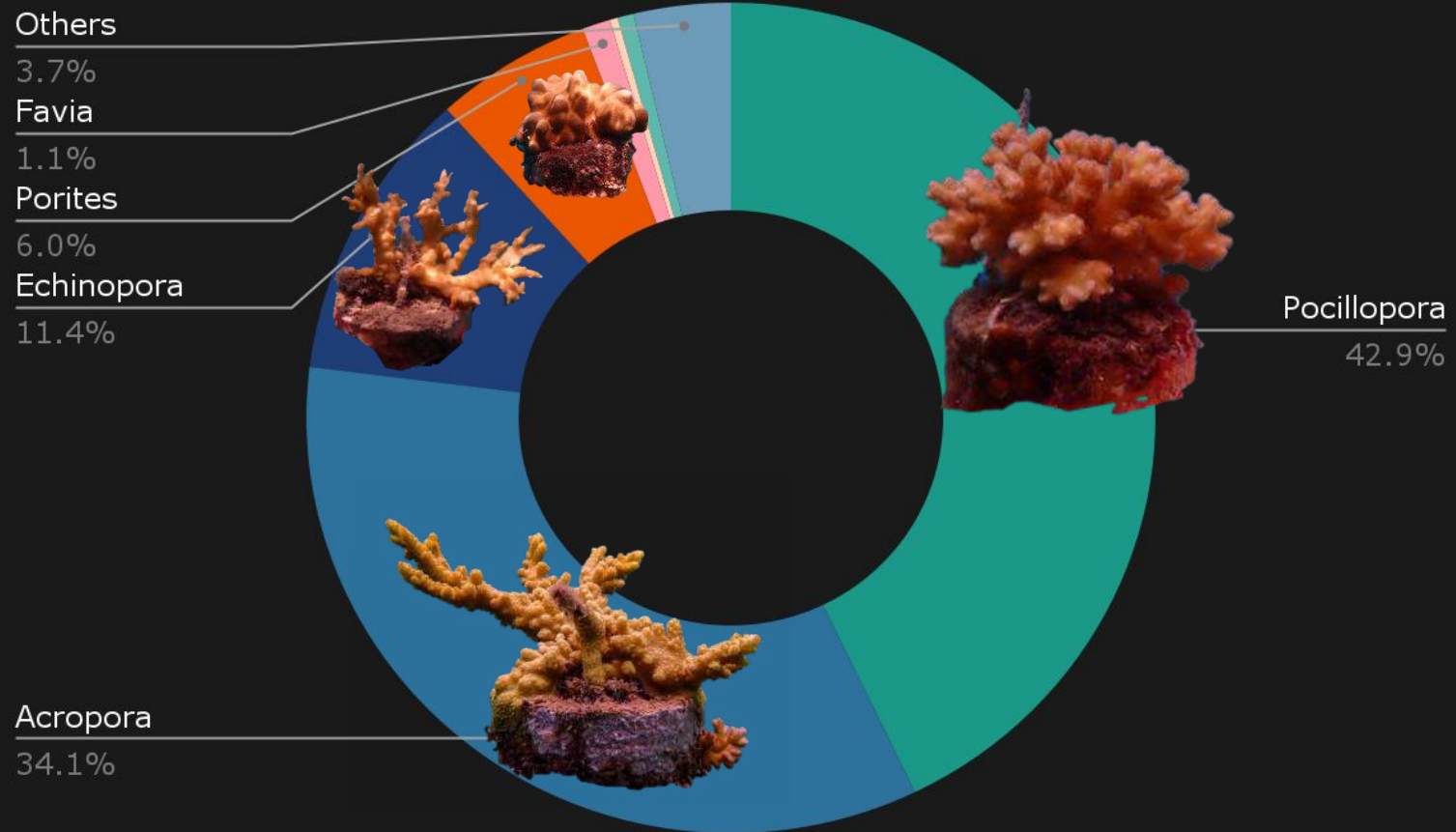


Constant improvement of techniques has increased coral survivorship from 40% in 2019.

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Reef Care Data

CORAL SPECIES COMPOSITION



More than
79

Natural Coral Recruits

At least
3

Juvenile clam, *Tridacna* sp.



The increased surface complexity serves a better substrate for corals & other invertebrates to attach to.

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Reef Care Data

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Reef Care Data

A total **61** species
of fish observed and
recorded in our Reef
Care area

SPECIES LIST 📖

Fish Diversity in Alunan House Reef



Pomacentridae
(Damselfish)
20%



Labridae
(Wrasse)
11%



Scaridae
(Parrotfish)
10%



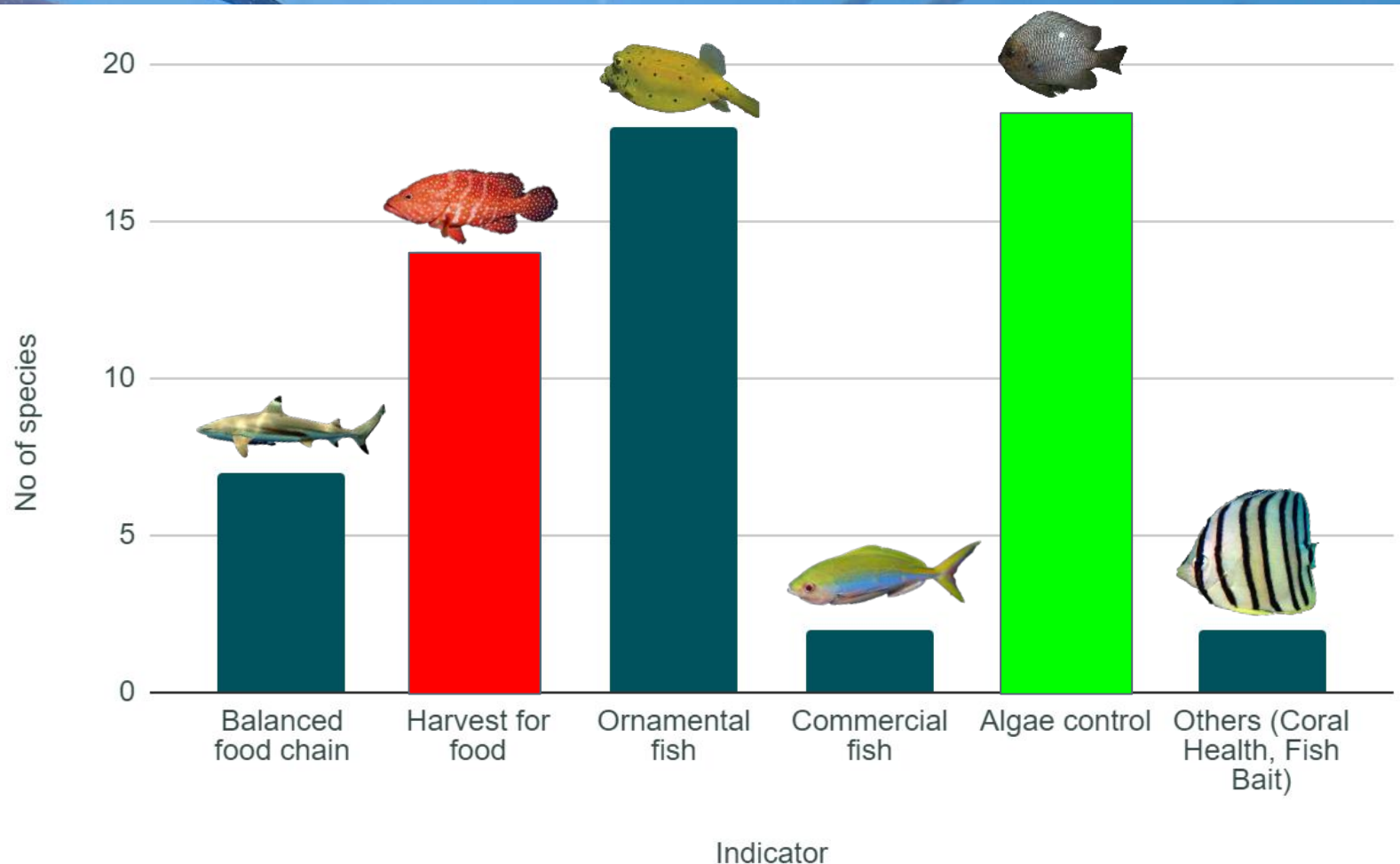
Serranidae
(Grouper)
5%



Nemipteridae
(Bream)
5%

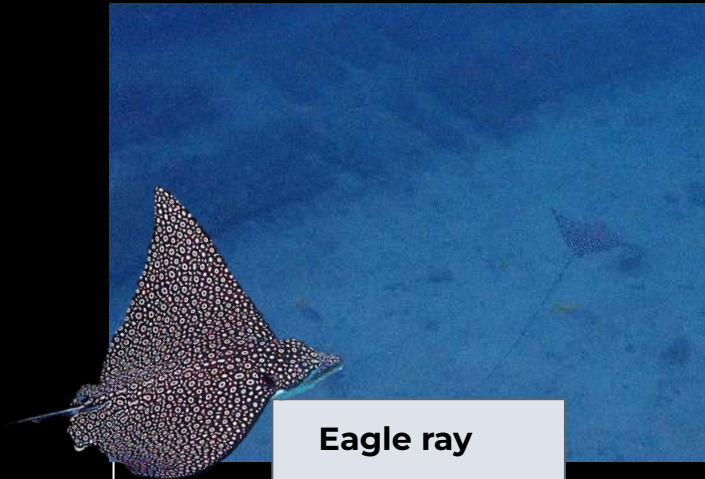


Muraenidae
(Moray eel)
5%



Graph above shows indicator key for each species in our Reef Care area. Algae controller (green bar) such as **damselfish** and **parrotfish** plays an important role to prevent algal overgrowth that outcompete corals. Species like **grouper** and **snapper** are in the harvest for food (red bar) category as they are amongst the most valuable fish for locals to feed or to sell as seafood products. This indicates that the **coral nursery** has been able to **provide shelter & food source** for these two important indicator groups.

Iconic species around Alunan Nursery



Eagle ray



Humphead
parrotfish



Grey Bamboo Shark



Guitarshark

Awareness

Marine awareness & coral restoration activity with in-house guests & staffs.



Our reef rescue project

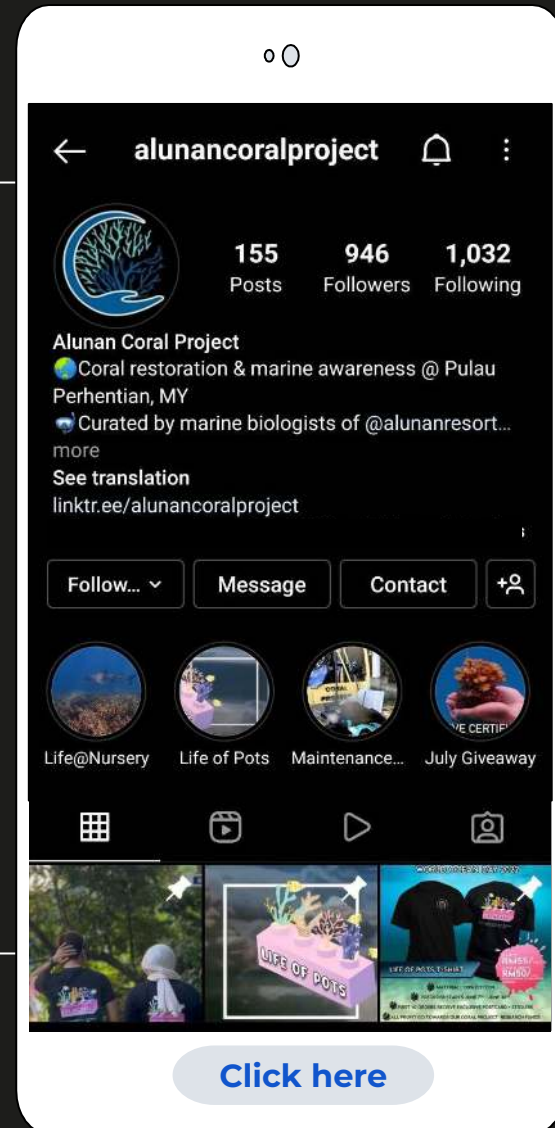
- Initiated and driven by The Alunan Boutique Resort in 2018.
- Approval and support by Department Fisheries Malaysia.
- Carried out by Alunan's staff and guests.
- Technical support by Blue Planet's Dr. Gerald Goeden.
- Assisted by other environmentally responsible agencies.

1. To be the pioneer in reef restoration & rehabilitation project in Pulau Perhentian
2. To increase awareness on environmental protection

Instagram account

Reduces the gap between conservation & people through direct interaction as well as live updates

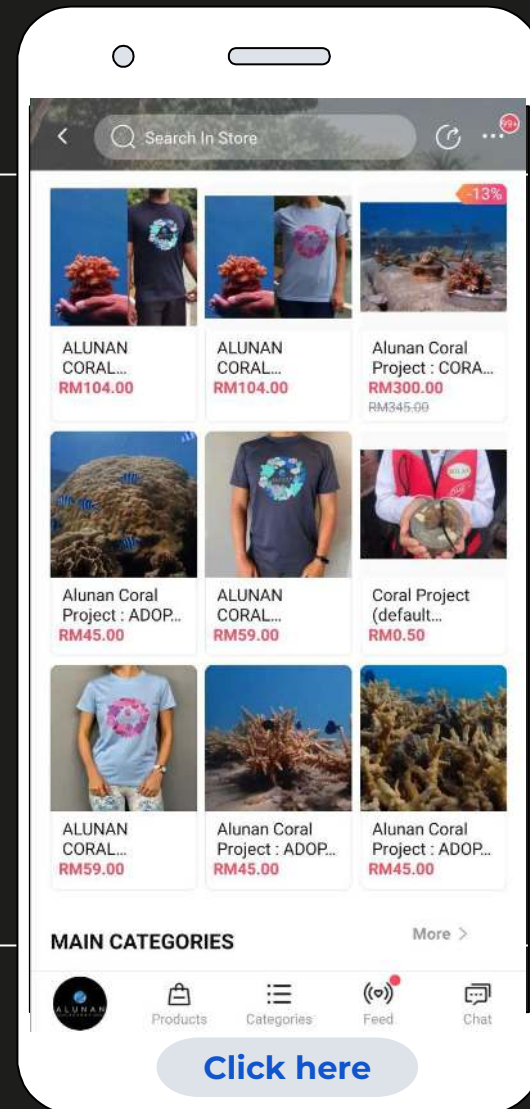
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Merchandise for Conservation

Through e-commerce platform (Lazada), we managed to raise fund for our restoration work aside from visitors on the island.

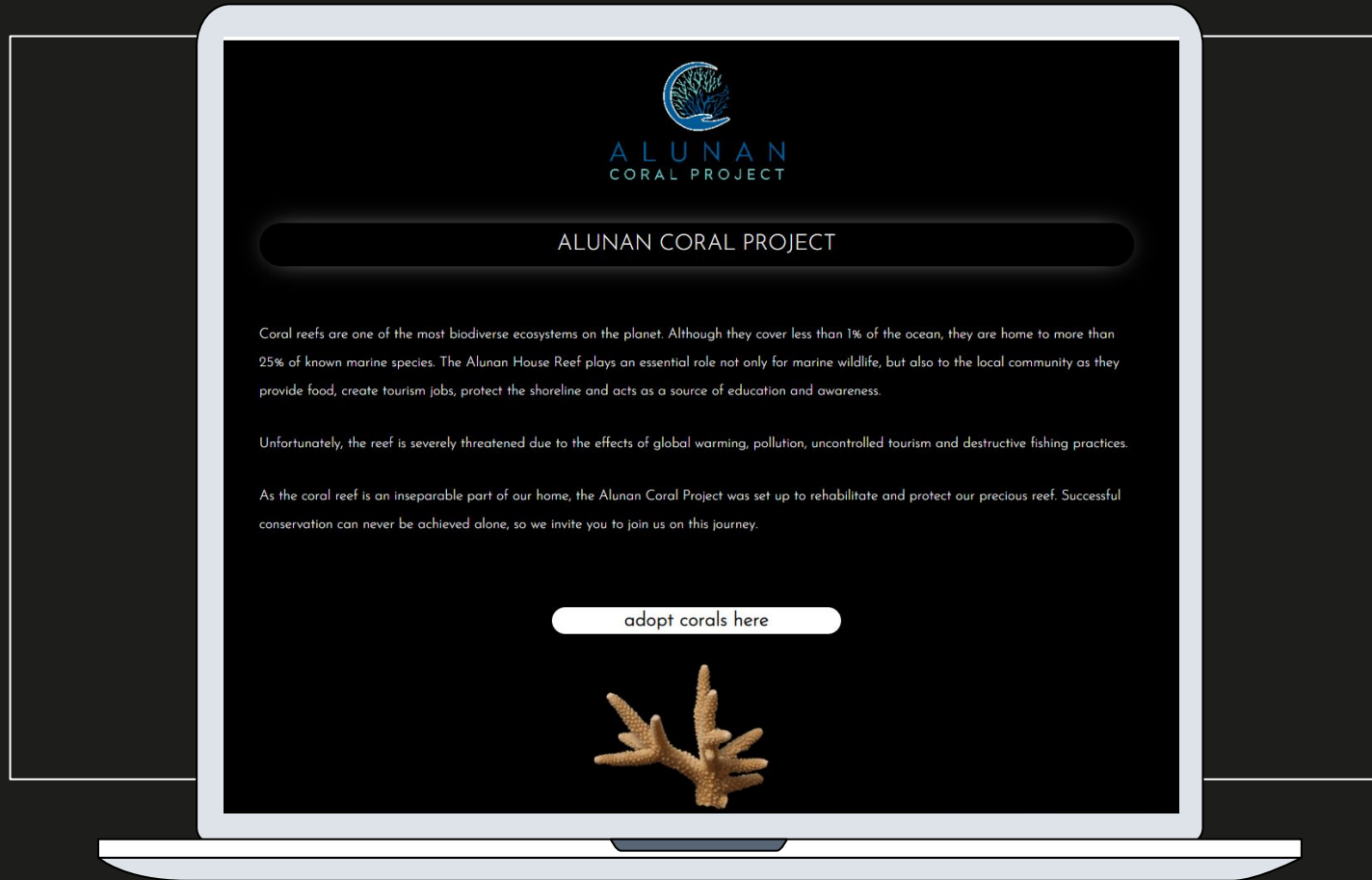
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Website Page

A page dedicated to Alunan Coral Project is set up to increase awareness of visitors/potential participants before they come to the island.

Our reports are also made available for public to access.



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APPENDIX

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List of coral species

Genus	Common name
Acropora	Staghorn coral, table coral
Pocillopora	Cauliflower coral
Echinopora	Hedgehog coral
Porites	Boulder coral
Favia	Knob coral
Favites	Star coral
Platygyra	Lesser valley coral
Hydnophora	Spine coral
Gardineroseris	Honeycomb coral
Galaxea	Octopus coral
Symphyllia	Sinuuous cup coral
Polyphyllia	Joker's boomerang coral

Genus	Common name
Lobophytum	Cabbage leather coral
Psammacora	Cat's paw coral
Pavona	Cactus coral
Millepora	Fire coral
Sinularia	Finger leather coral

List of Fish Species

Family	Species
Carcharhinidae (Requiem Sharks)	<i>Carcharhinus melanopterus</i>
Scyliorhinidae (Catsharks)	<i>Atelomycterus marmoratus</i>
Hemiscyllidae (Bamboosharks)	<i>Chiloscyllium griseum</i>
Dasyatidae (Whiptail Stingrays)	<i>Taeniura lymma</i>
Myliobatidae (Eagle Rays)	<i>Aetobatus narinari</i>
Labridae (Wrasses)	<i>Thalassoma lunare</i>
	<i>Hemigymnus melapterus</i>
	<i>Cheilinus chlorourus</i>
	<i>Cheilinus trilobatus</i>
	<i>Halichoeres chloropterus</i>
	<i>Halichoeres hortulanus</i>
	<i>Diproctacanthus xanthurus</i>
	<i>Labroides dimidiatus</i>

Family	Species
Caesionidae (Fusiliers)	<i>Caesio teres</i>
	<i>Caesio caerulaurea</i>
Scaridae (Parrotfishes)	<i>Scarus rivulatus</i>
	<i>Scarus oviceps</i>
	<i>Scarus ghobban</i>
	<i>Scarus quoyi</i>
	<i>Scarus prasiognathos</i>
	<i>Bolbometopon muricatum</i>
Siganidae (Rabbitfishes)	<i>Siganus guttatus</i>
	<i>Siganus virgatus</i>

Family	Species
Pomacentridae (Damsel­fishes and Anemonefishes)	<i>Amphirion clarkii</i>
	<i>Amphirion ocellaris</i>
	<i>Neopomacentrus cyanomos</i>
	<i>Pomacentrus moluccensis</i>
	<i>Pomacentrus bankanensis</i>
	<i>Pomacentrus simsiang</i>
	<i>Neogyphidodon carlsoni</i>
	<i>Abudefduf sexfasciatus</i>
	<i>Abudefduf sordidus</i>
	<i>Abudefduf bengalensis</i>
	<i>Chromis caudalis</i>
	<i>Dischitodus melanotus</i>
Chaetodontidae (Butterflyfishes)	<i>Chaetodon octofasciatus</i>

Family	Species
Serranidae (Groupers)	<i>Epinephelus fasciatus</i>
	<i>Plectropomus maculatus</i>
	<i>Cephalopholis boenak</i>
	<i>Diploprion bifasciatum</i>
Nemipteridae (Threadfin and Monocle Breams)	<i>Scolopsis margatifera</i>
	<i>Scolopsis vosmeri</i>
	<i>Scolopsis bilineatus</i>
Lutjanidae (Snappers)	<i>Lutjanus ehrenbergii</i>
	<i>Lutjanus decussatus</i>
Blenniidae (Blennies)	<i>Petroscirtes xestus</i>
Gobiidae (Gobies)	<i>Istigobius decorates</i>
Ephippidae (Spadefishes or Batfishes)	<i>Platax sp.</i>
Pomacanthidae (Angelfishes)	<i>Pomacanthus annularis</i>

Family	Species
Pempheridae (Sweepers)	<i>Pempheris adusta</i>
Mullidae (Goatfishes)	<i>Upeneus tragula</i>
Tetraodontidae (Puffers)	<i>Arothron mappa</i>
Ostraciidae (Boxfishes)	<i>Ostracion cubicus</i>
Balistidae (Triggerfishes)	<i>Balistoides viridescens</i>
	<i>Pseudobalistes flavimarginatus</i>
Muraenidae (Moray Eels)	<i>Echidna nebulosa</i>
	<i>Gymnothorax thyrsoideus</i>
	<i>Gymnothorax favagineus</i>
Synanceiidae (Stonefishes)	<i>Inimicus didactylus</i>
Scorpaenidae (Scorpionfishes)	<i>Pterois volitans</i>
	<i>Scorpaenopsis</i> sp.
Holocentridae (Soldierfishes)	<i>Sargocentron rubrum</i>

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