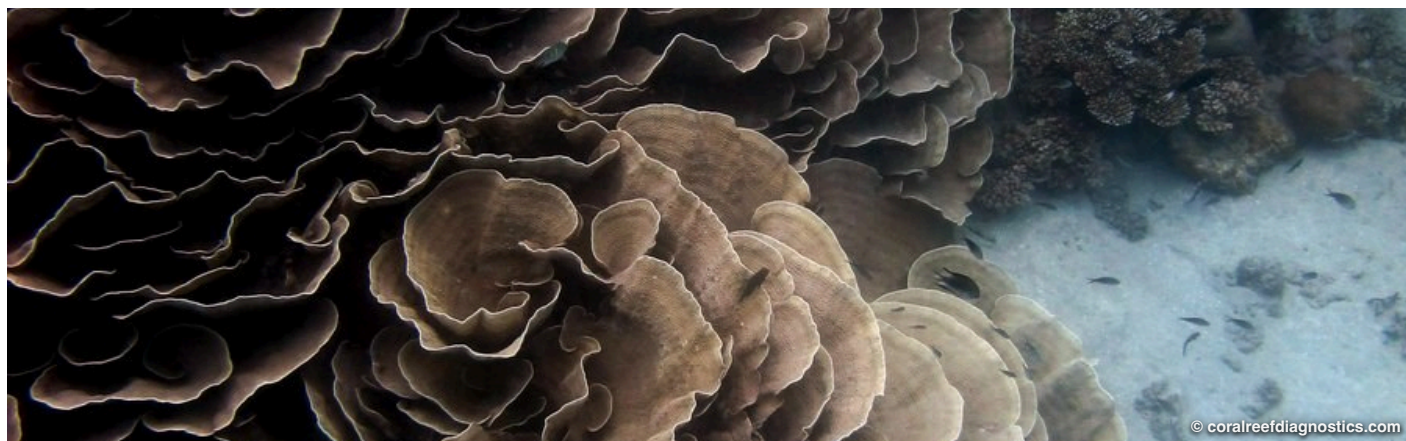


Indonesia - Banda Islands: Airport (Banda Ara)

Maluku · surveyed 2018-04-26



Coral Health Index: TBD

What was done. No diver transect was run at this site. The figure is a blind Claude computer-vision point classification of 72 photographs by the author, read without sight of any other method's result; other computer-vision methods are compared on the site page. The written account of the site is a review of its photographs, not a second survey.

HARD CORAL COVER

38%

Claude computer vision (72 edited photos)

TODAY'S HEAT LOAD

27.1°C

0.0°C-weeks

16 Sep 2026 · -1.9°C vs the annual mean (29.0 °C)
· NOAA No heat stress

HEAT STRESS (5-YR MEAN ANNUAL MAX. DHW)

8.9°C-weeks

NOAA annual peaks averaging 8–12 °C-weeks

MAX. DEPTH

30.5 m

WATER TEMP. (SURVEY)

29.4°C

+0.7°C vs the 2018 mean sea temperature (28.7°C)

PHOTOGRAPHS

25

on file for this site

POSITION

-4.5230, 129.9000

Approximate position: no GPS fix was logged for this dive.



Airport runs from a deep sand apron up a genus-rich, soft-coral-heavy slope to a near-continuous plate-coral thicket at its shallow top. Localized stressors include a *Stylophora* colony half bleached pale green-white, a two-meter *Acropora* table with a clean-edged bare patch consistent with white syndrome or a healed predation scar, and similar lesion bands on two smaller colonies - none reef-wide. A blind Claude computer-vision point count puts coral cover around 38%.

Bahasa Indonesia. Airport membentang dari hamparan pasir dalam, naik melalui lereng yang kaya genus dan padat karang lunak, menuju rumpun karang lembaran yang hampir menyambung di puncaknya yang dangkal. Pemicu tekanan setempat mencakup koloni *Stylophora* yang separuhnya memutih hijau-putih pucat, meja *Acropora* selebar dua meter dengan bercak gundul bertepi bersih yang konsisten dengan sindrom putih atau bekas pemangsaan yang telah sembuh, serta pita luka serupa pada dua koloni yang lebih kecil — tidak satu pun mencakup seluruh terumbu. *Terjemahan ringkasan ini oleh AI; versi bahasa Inggris yang berlaku.*

CV model comparison (hard-coral cover, %): In-house DINOv3 35.6 · CoralSCOP edited 45.3 · Claude (edited photos) 38.2

Photographs: Anderson Mayfield/Coral Reef Diagnostics — 1 of 25 on file; watermarked · Full site record: <https://api.coralreefdiagnostics.com/site-pages/indonesia-banda-islands-airport-banda-ara.html> · Heat stress is the mean of the latest five annual maxima of NOAA Coral Reef Watch degree-heating weeks for this reef's NOAA CRW virtual station (Maluku) — a five-