

Maldives - Dhigga Thila

South Ari · surveyed 2017-05-24



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What was done. No diver transect was run at this site. The figure is a computer-vision estimate over the site's own frames (20 frames) — DINOv3 22%, CoralSCOP 29%. The written account of the site is a review of its photographs, not a second survey.

HARD CORAL COVER

25%

computer vision: DINOv3 22%, CoralSCOP 29%
(20 photos)

TODAY'S HEAT LOAD

29.7°C

0.0°C-weeks

16 Sep 2026 · +0.1°C vs the annual mean (29.6 °C)
· [NOAA](#) Bleaching Watch

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

2.2°C-weeks

NOAA annual peaks below 4 °C-weeks, the bleaching threshold

MAX. DEPTH

21.0 m

dive-log maximum

WATER TEMP. (SURVEY)

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not logged

PHOTOGRAPHS

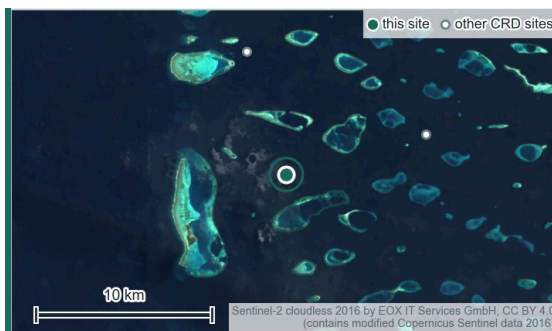
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on file for this site

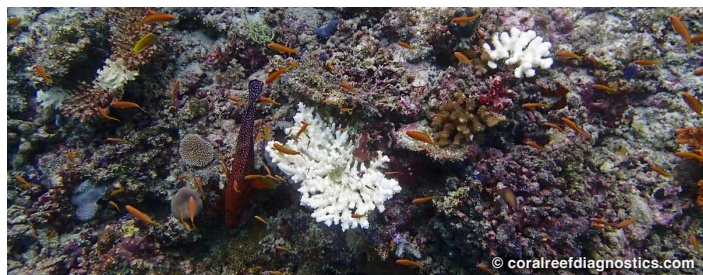
POSITION

3.7296, 72.7588

3°43.779N 72°45.525E; aka Bollywood Thila



A soft-coral-draped pinnacle where every ledge drips with salmon, scarlet, and gold colonies in the current, though its crown still bears algae-covered table-coral skeletons from the 2016 bleaching. Computer vision cover estimate is 21.6-28.5%, averaging 25.1%.



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CV model comparison (hard-coral cover, %): In-house DINOv3 21.6 · CoralSCOP 28.5 · **Mean (± SD) 25.1 ± 4.9** · Range 21.6–28.5 · [Reef Check](#) 2013 (same site) 15.6 Mean ± SD and range are across the computer-vision methods shown.

Photographs: Anderson Mayfield/Coral Reef Diagnostics — 3 of 24 on file; watermarked · Full site record: <https://api.coralreefdiagnostics.com/site-pages/maldives-dhigga-thila.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 (Maldives) — a five-year heat history for the station's waters, not a measurement at this site on the dive date.