



What was done. No diver transect was run at this site. The figure is a computer-vision estimate over the site's own frames (18 frames) — DINOv3 9.2%, CoralSCOP 22%. The written account of the site is a review of its photographs, not a second survey.

HARD CORAL COVER

16%

computer vision: DINOv3 9.2%, CoralSCOP 22% (18 photos)

TODAY'S HEAT LOAD

29.7°C0.0°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

26.2 m

dive-log maximum

WATER TEMP. (SURVEY)

—

not logged

PHOTOGRAPHS

23

on file for this site

POSITION

4.2858, 73.5540

A dawn manta cleaning station where reef mantas queued for service and eagle rays cruised past, while on the reef itself crown-of-thorns starfish were caught active amid fresh white feeding scars. Computer vision cover estimate is 9.0-22%, averaging 15.8%.



CV model comparison (hard-coral cover, %): In-house DINOv3 9.2 · CoralSCOP 22.3 · **Mean (± SD) 15.8 ± 9.3** · Range 9.2–22.3 Mean ± SD and range are across the computer-vision methods shown.

Photographs: Anderson Mayfield/Coral Reef Diagnostics — 3 of 23 on file; watermarked · Full site record: <https://api.coralreefdiagnostics.com/site-pages/maldives-lankan-faru.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.