

Philippines - El Nido: Nat Nat (Bacuit Archipelago)

Bacuit Archipelago · surveyed 2017-01-24



Coral Health Index: TBD

What was done. No diver transect was run at this site. The figure is a computer-vision estimate over the site's own frames — DINOv3 19%, CoralSCOP 15%. The written account of the site is a review of its photographs, not a second survey.

HARD CORAL COVER

17%

computer vision: DINOv3 19%, CoralSCOP 15%

TODAY'S HEAT LOAD

30.6°C **1.1°C-weeks**

16 Sep 2026 · +1.1°C vs the annual mean (29.5 °C)
· [NOAA](#) Bleaching Warning

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

3.2°C-weeks

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

MAX. DEPTH

24.08 m

WATER TEMP. (SURVEY)

27.2°C

-2.0°C vs the 2017 mean sea temperature (29.2°C)

PHOTOGRAPHS

50

on file for this site

POSITION

11.1870, 119.3810

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



A murky, rough-conditions dive at Nat turned up an uncommon *Anacropora* colony and a large pale *Plerogyra* bubble coral, but the clearest condition note is a *Seriatopora* colony photographed and labeled dying. Cover estimates disagree, roughly 15-19%, averaging 17%.



CV model comparison (hard-coral cover, %): In-house DINOv3 19.2 · CoralSCOP 15.3 · **Mean ($\pm$ SD) 17.2 $\pm$ 2.8** · Range 15.3–19.2 Mean $\pm$ SD and range are across the computer-vision methods shown.

Photographs: Anderson Mayfield/Coral Reef Diagnostics — 3 of 50 on file; watermarked · Full site record: <https://api.coralreefdiagnostics.com/site-pages/philippines-el-nido-nat-nat-bacuit-archipelago.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 (Western Philippines) — a five-year heat history for the station's waters, not a measurement at this site on the dive date.