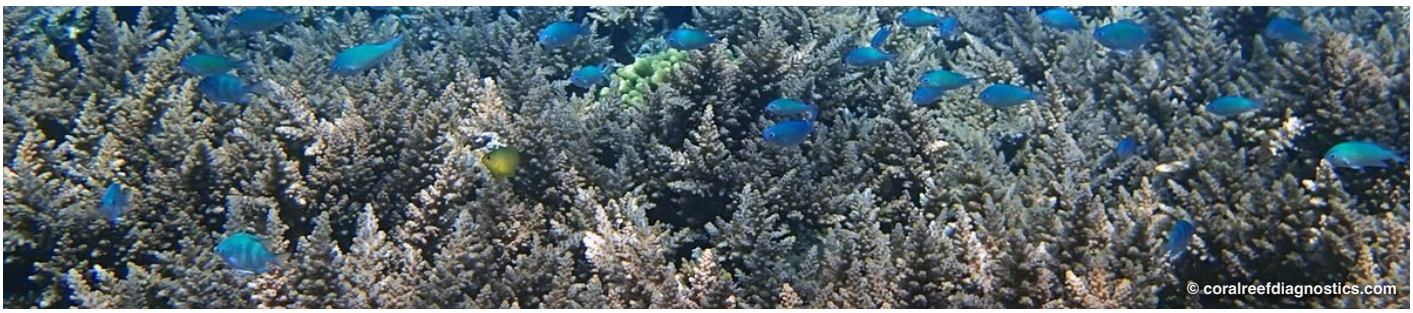
Taiwan - Dongsha / Pratas Atoll (South China Sea)

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Coral Health Index: TBD

What was done. No coral-cover figure is published for this site. Too few images to estimate coral cover. The written account of the site is a review of its photographs, not a second survey.

HARD CORAL COVER

not reported

Too few images to estimate coral cover.

MOST RECENT HEAT LOAD RECORD

28.4°C **2.9°C-weeks**

26 Oct 2026 · +1.1°C vs the past-365-day mean (27.3°C) · NOAA Bleaching Watch

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

13.6°C-weeks

NOAA annual peaks averaging 12–16°C-weeks

MAX. DEPTH

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not logged

WATER TEMP. (SURVEY)

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not logged

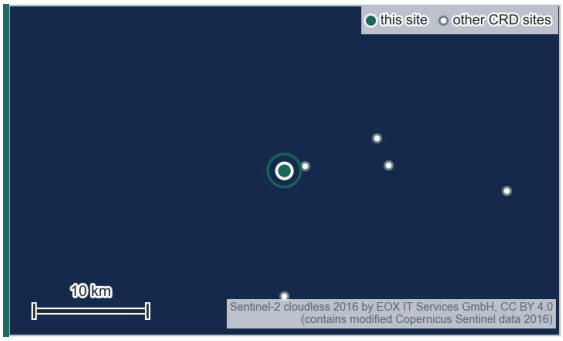
PHOTOGRAPHS

3 in the gallery · 3 on file

POSITION

20.7000, 116.7200

Approximate position.





Dongsha (Pratas) Atoll is a bleaching-resilience study site, where Anderson sampled pocilloporid corals in April 2016 to look for heat-tolerant genotypes. Photographs show two contrasting faces — an unbroken, healthy-looking staghorn *Acropora* field and a softer lagoon pavement of lobed and mushroom soft corals with scattered hard coral bommies — with no bleaching visible in either; no coral-cover figure is published for this site.

繁體中文. 東沙（Pratas）環礁是一處白化韌性研究地點，Anderson 於2016年四月在此採集鹿角珊瑚科（pocilloporid）珊瑚，以尋找耐熱的基因型。照片呈現兩種截然不同的面貌：一片連綿不斷、看似健康的軸孔珊瑚（*Acropora*）鹿角珊瑚田，以及一片較柔和的潟湖礁盤，布滿分葉狀與蘑菇狀軟珊瑚，間有零星的石珊瑚丘；兩處都看不到白化，此站未發表珊瑚覆蓋率數據。 *本摘要由 AI 翻譯；以英文版本為準。*





Photographs: Anderson Mayfield/Coral Reef Diagnostics — 3 on this card; 3 in the gallery · 3 on file; watermarked · Full site record: https://api.coralreefdiagnostics.com/site-pages/taiwan-dongsha-pratas-atoll-south-china-sea.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 (Dongsha, Taiwan) — a five-year heat history for the station's waters, not a measurement at this site on the dive date.