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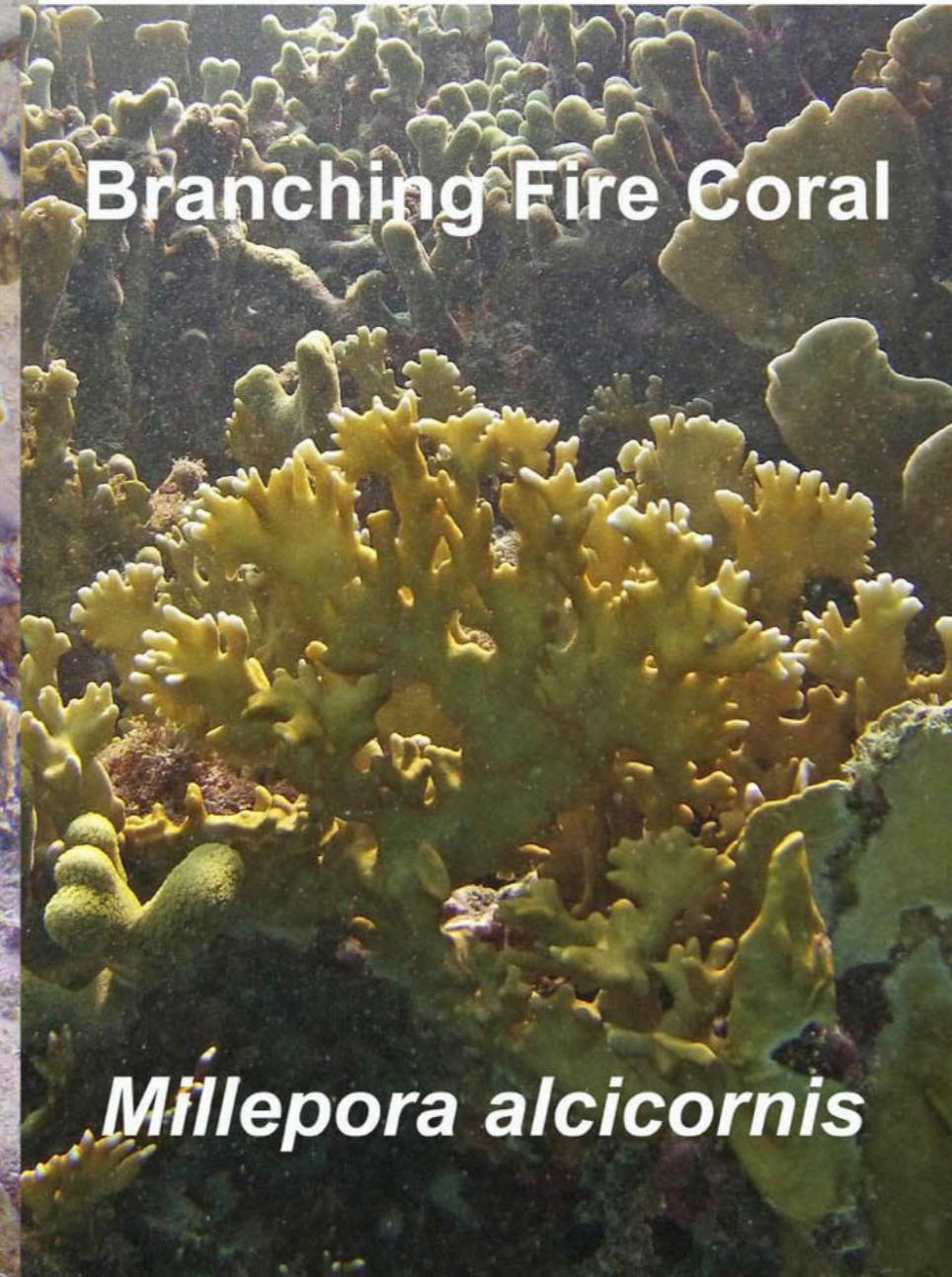
Squarrose or Box Fire Coral



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Common species

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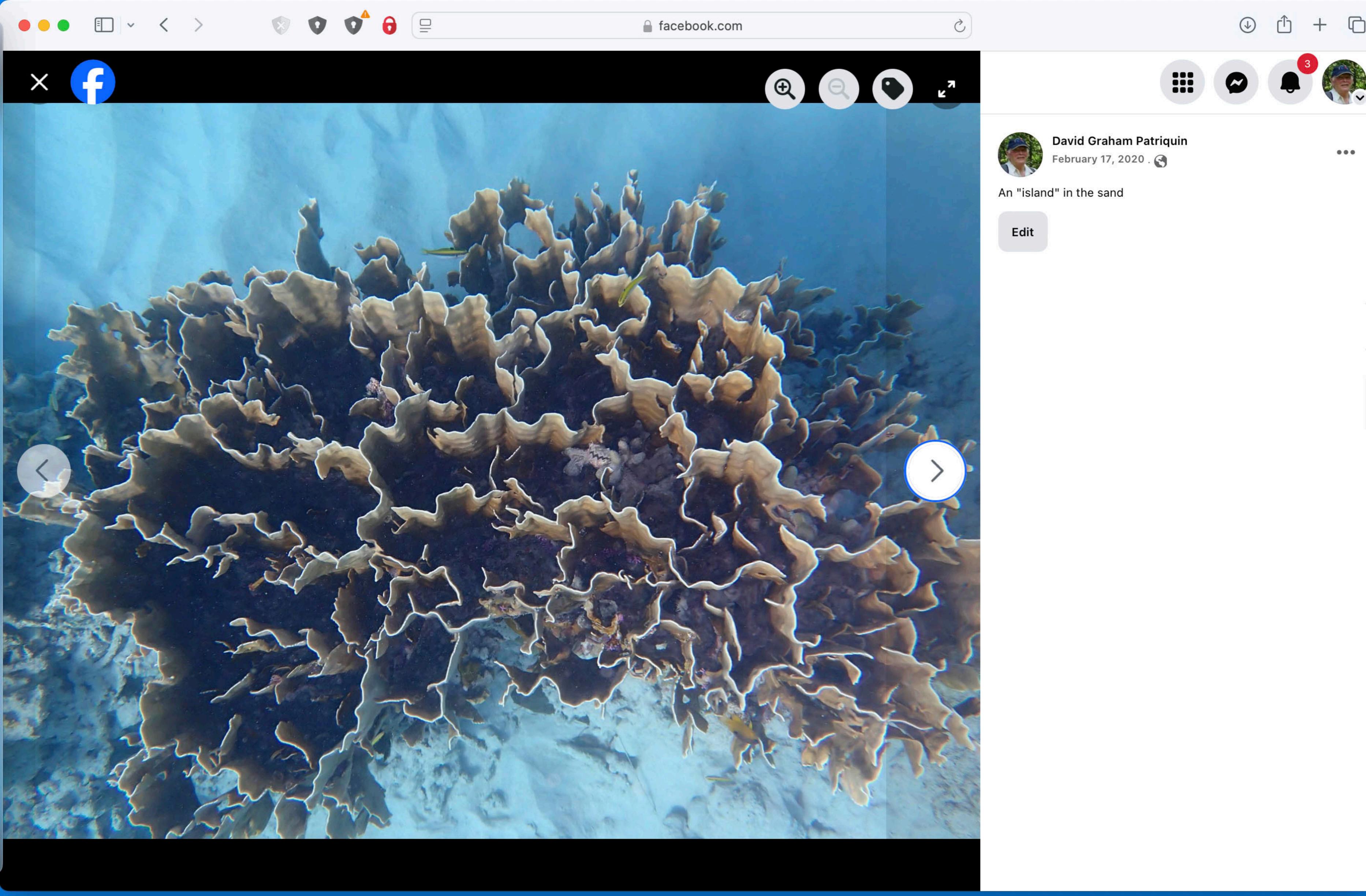
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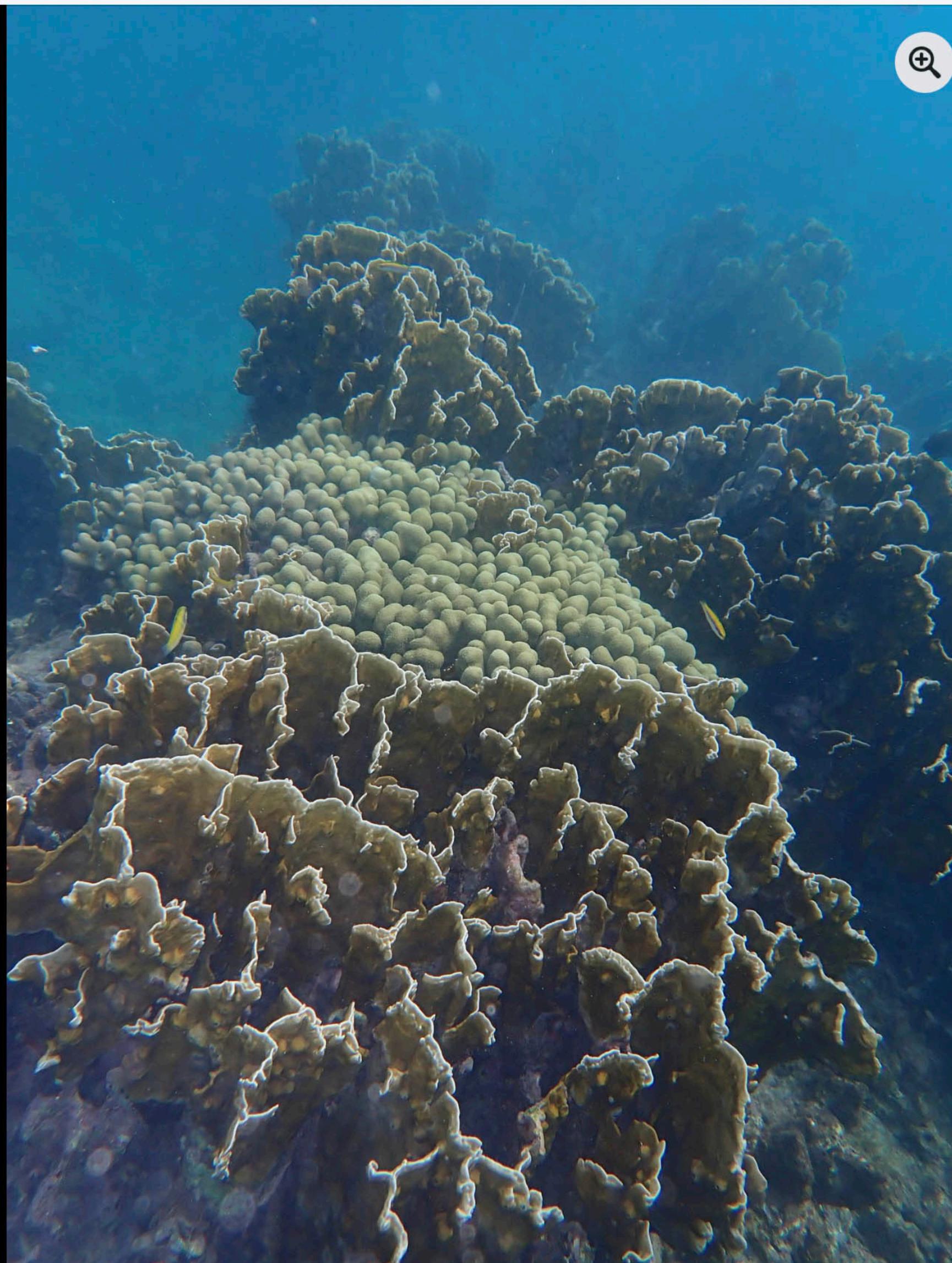


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An "island" in the sand

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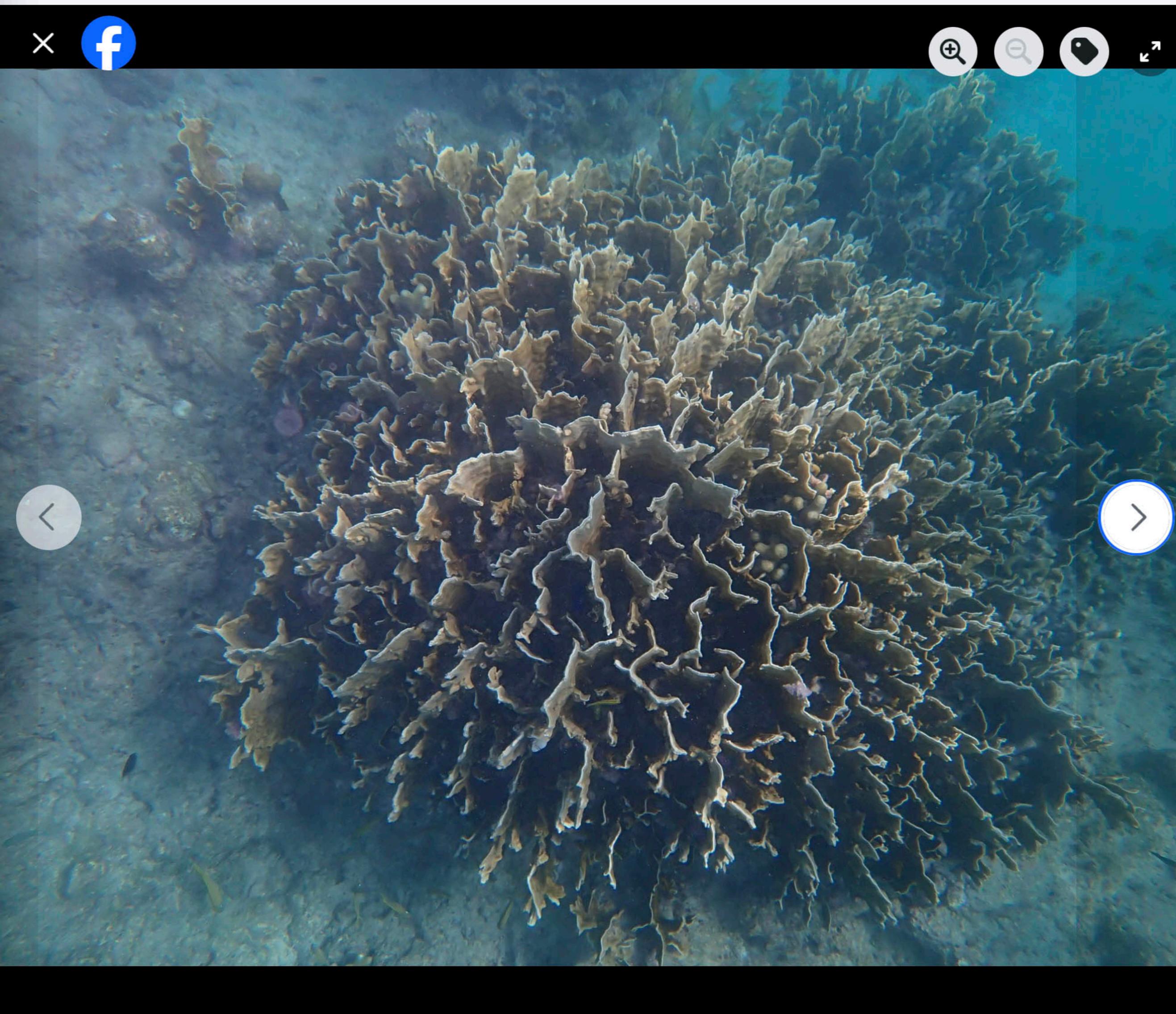
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Sometimes they provide the only excitement on otherwise drab, derided reefs

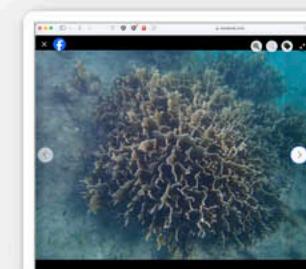


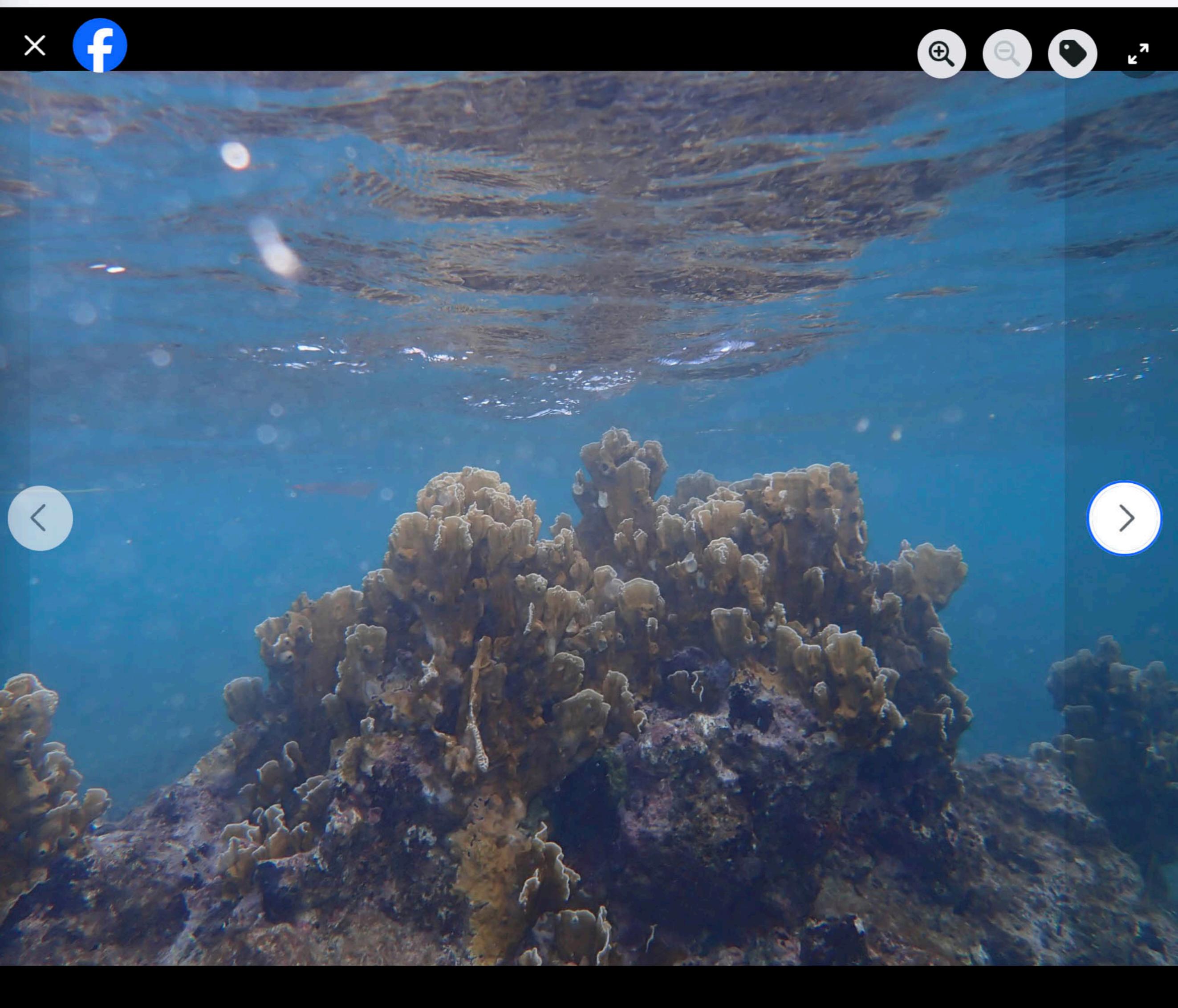
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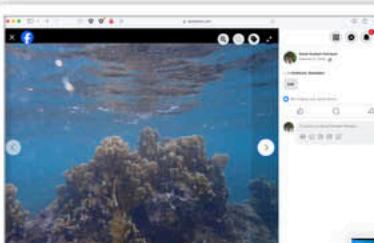
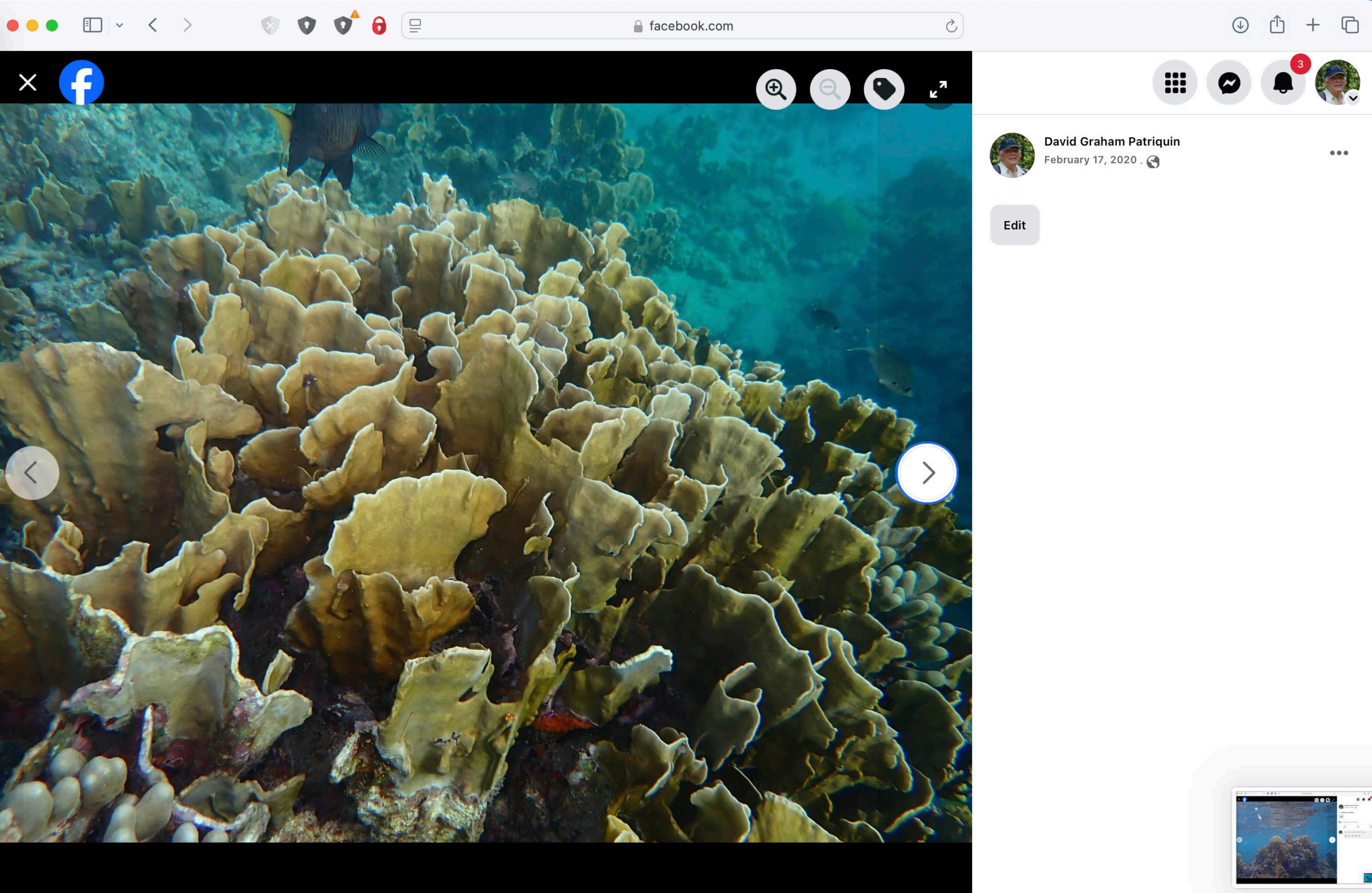


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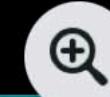
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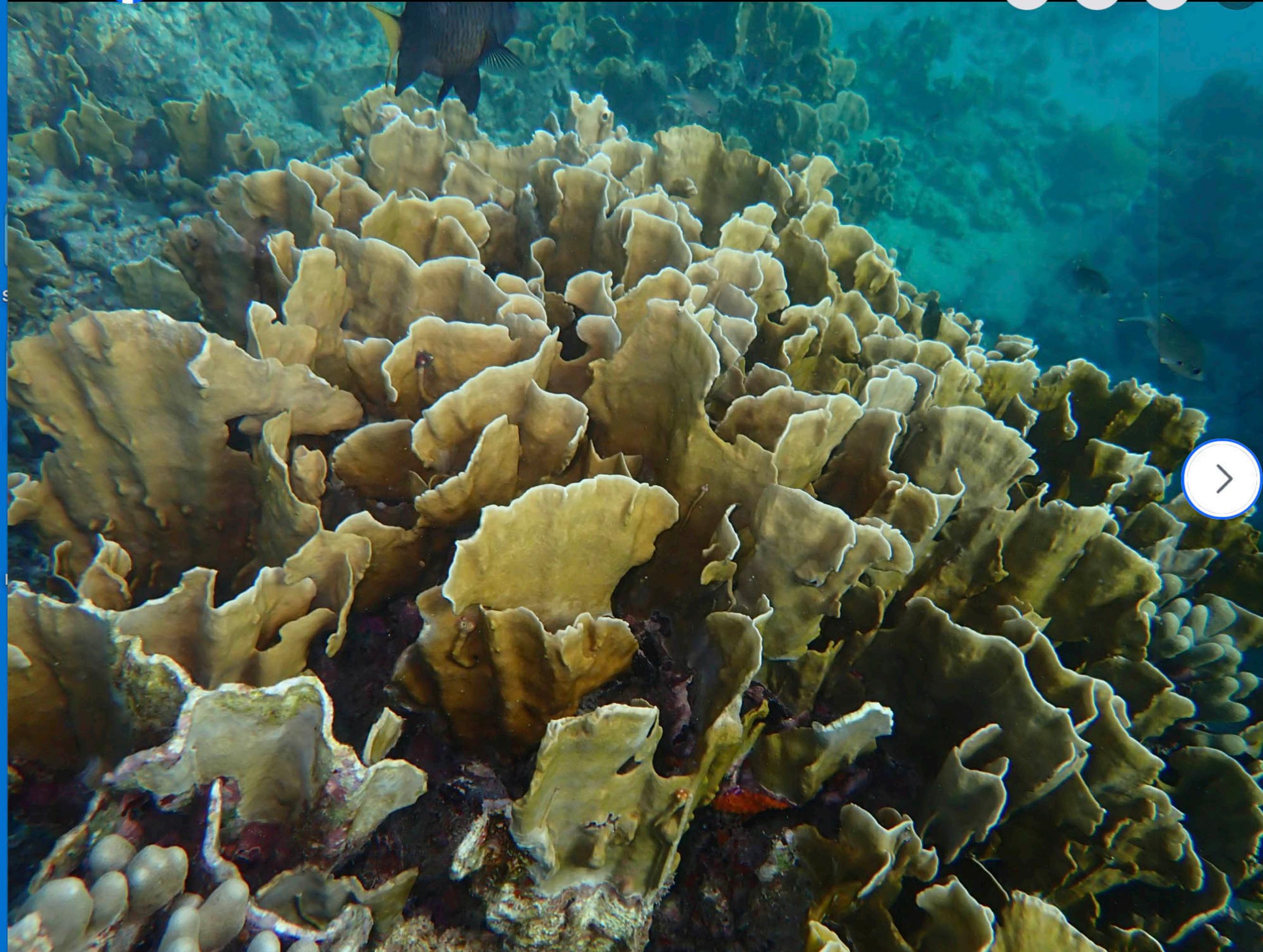




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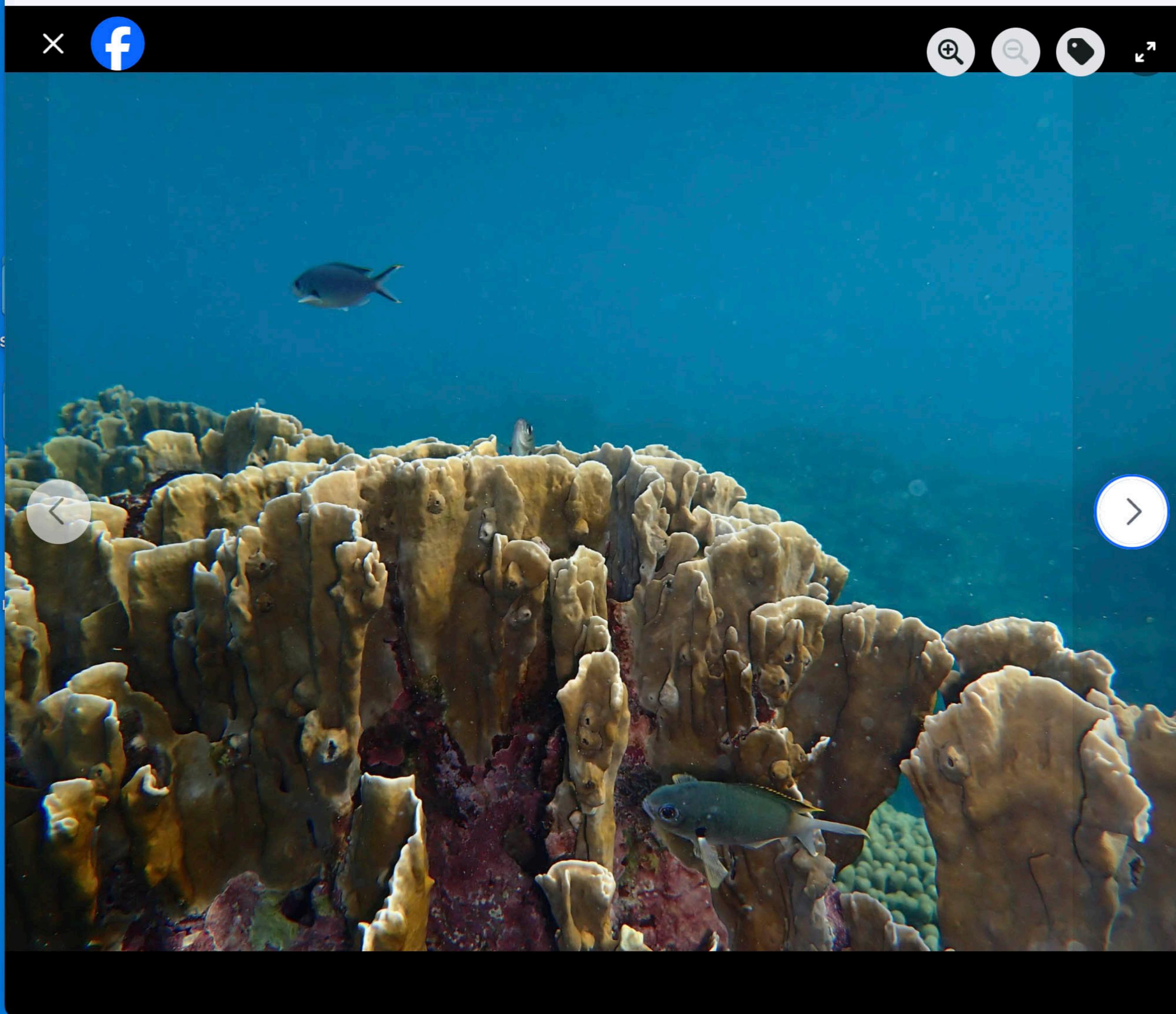
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The very common species - Dusky Squirrelfish - they don't come out of their fire coral compartment ("apartment?"), at least in daytime

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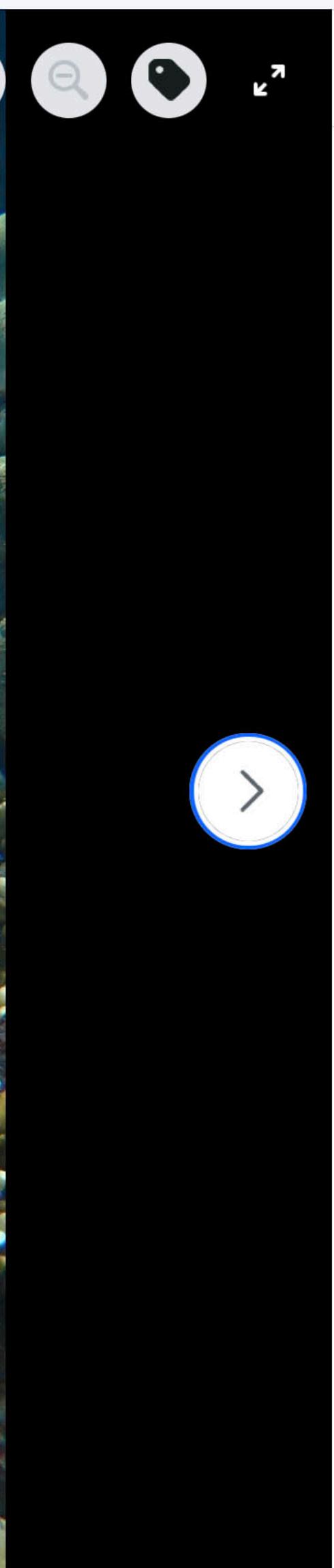
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The very common species - Commonly hanging around, above, the Brown Chromis, below Small Mouth grunt. Brown Chromis also hang out in the fire coral compartments and fight off other visitors

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The very common species - Yellow-tail Damselfish - juvenile to intermediate stage

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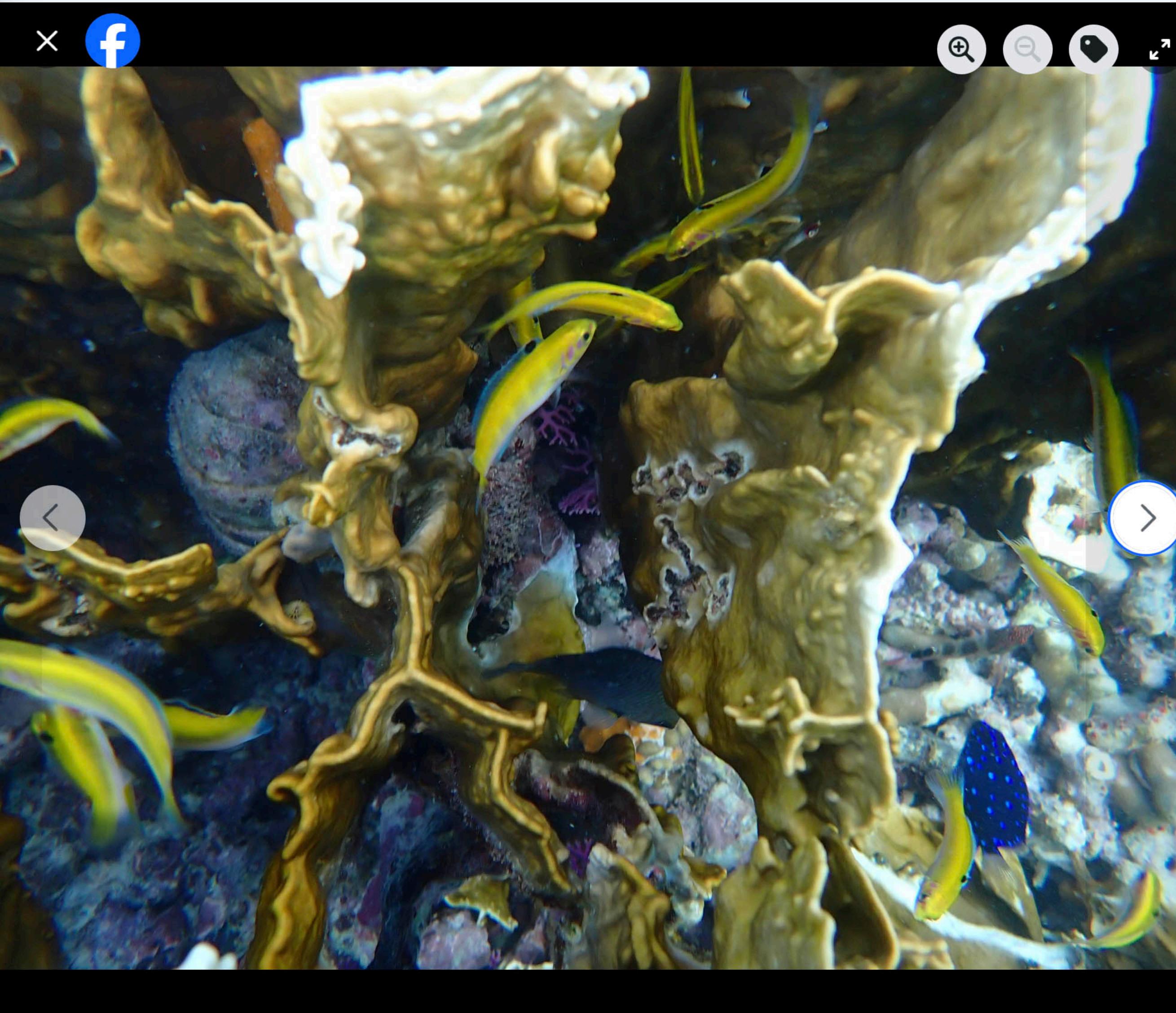
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The very common species - Brown Chromis in a compartment - yellow on fins shows up in the darker setting

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The very common species - Juvenile Bluehead Wrasse

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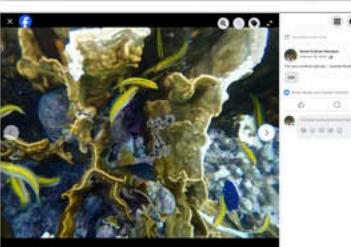


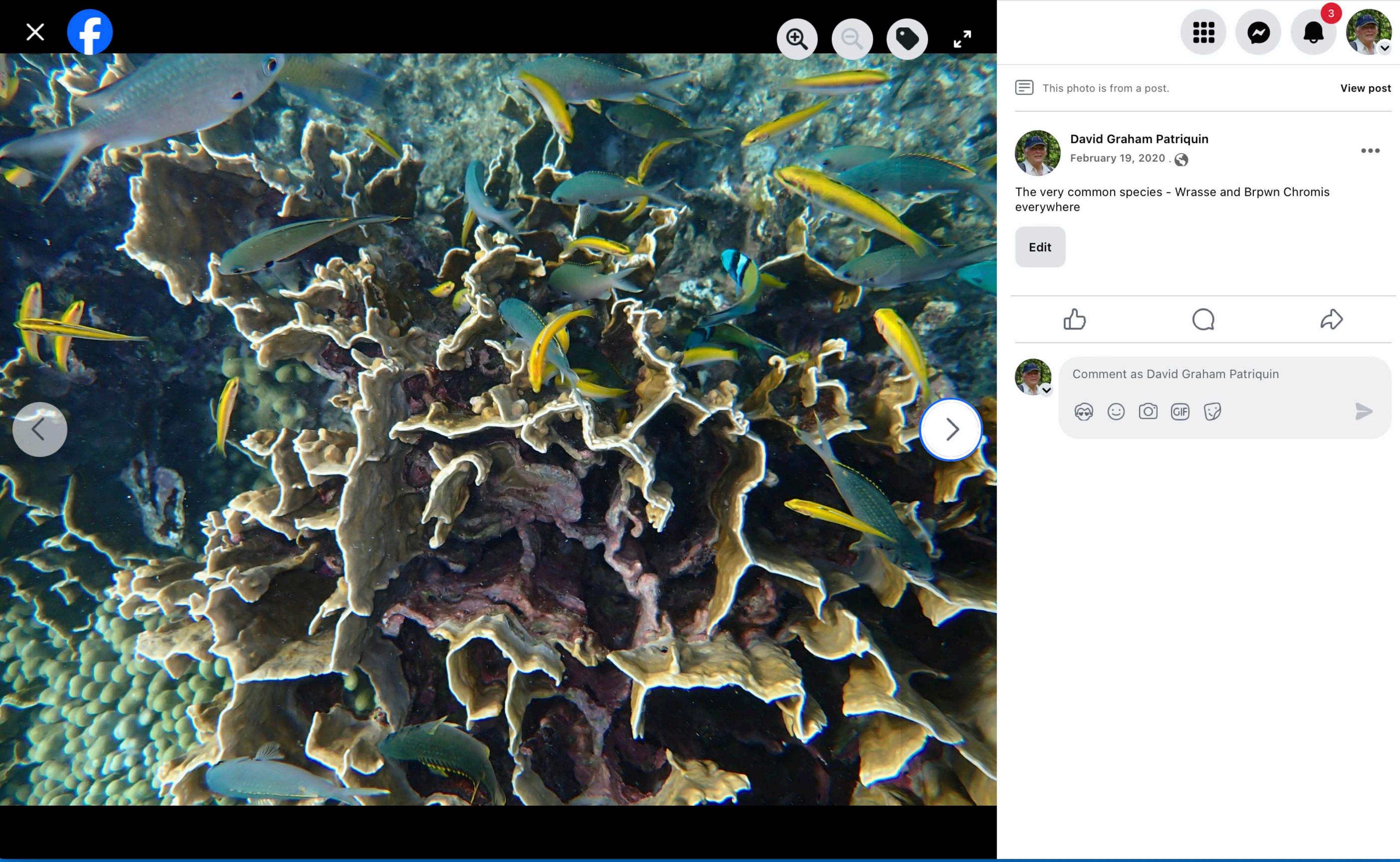
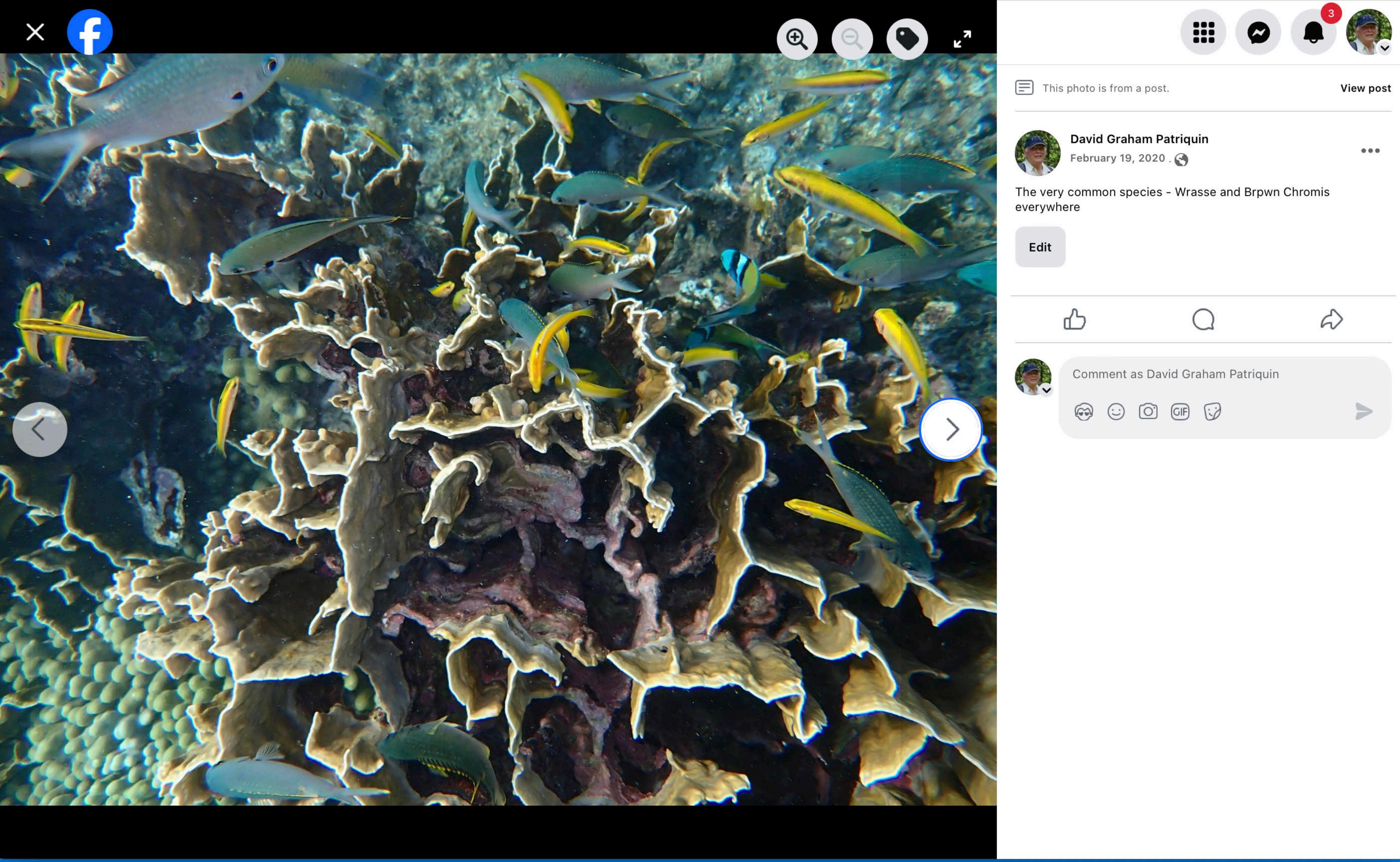
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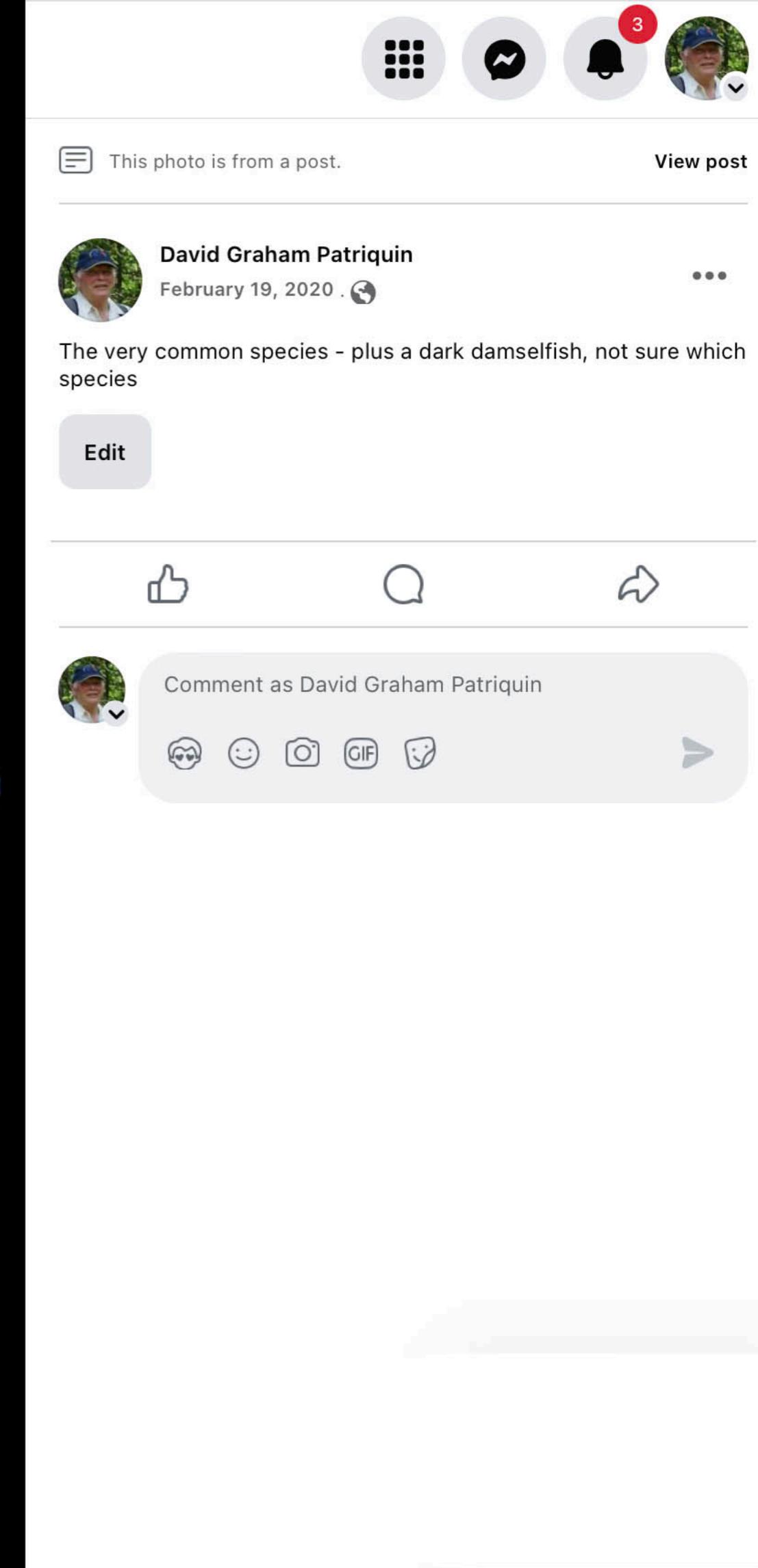
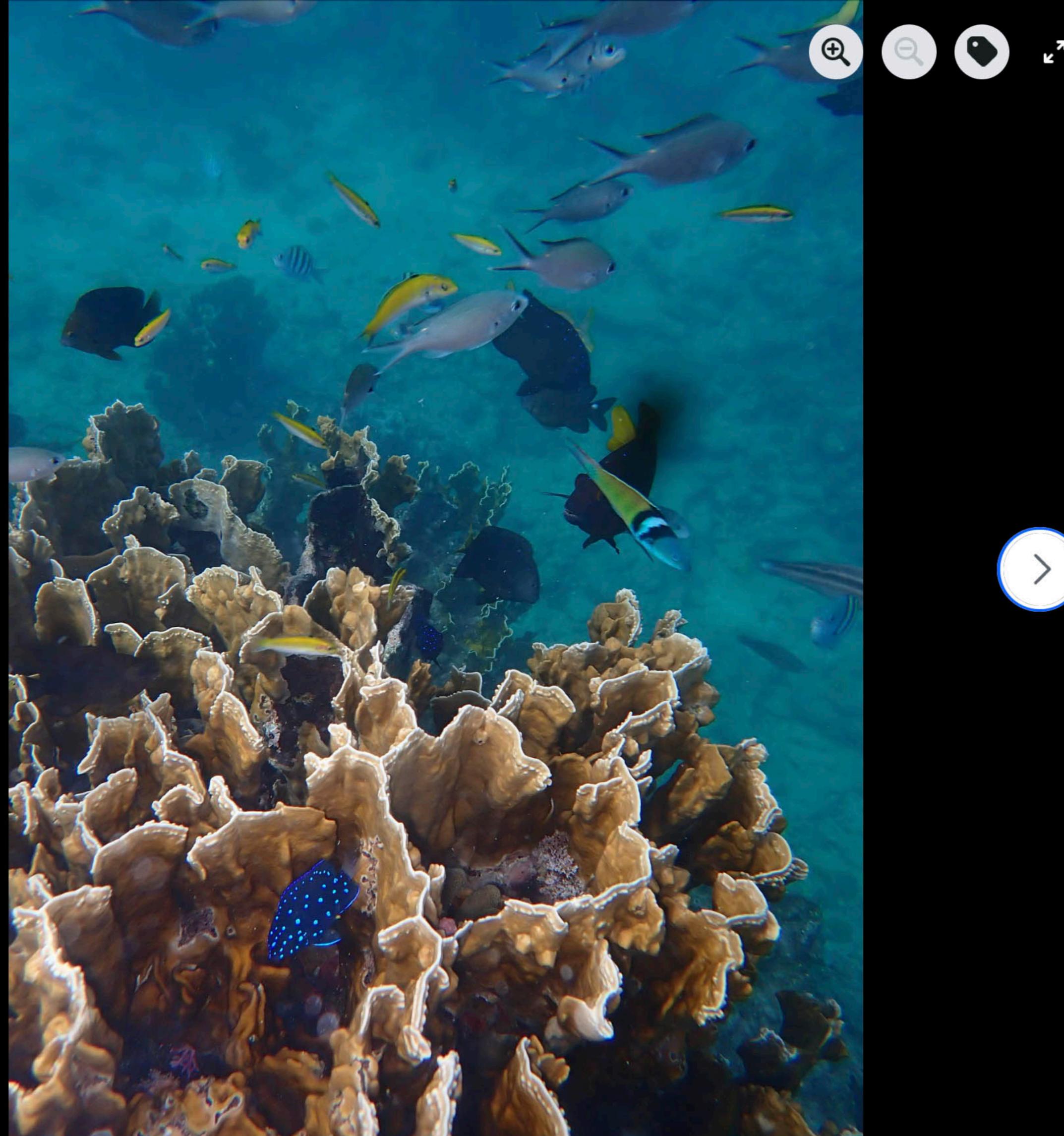
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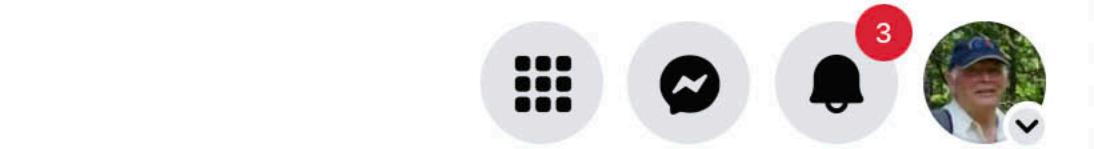
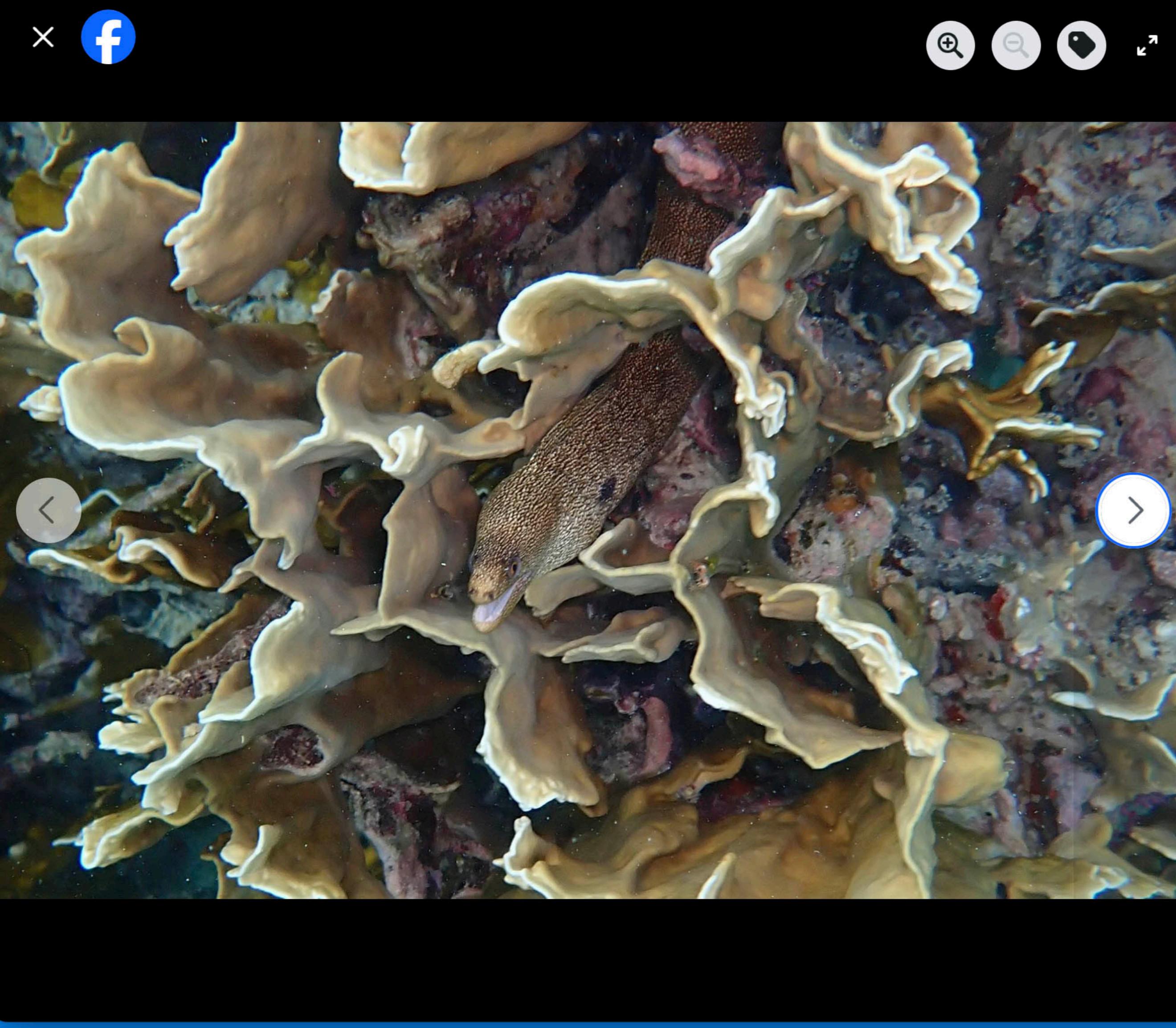


The very common species - Blue-Headed Wrasse, Terminal Stage. These fish change gender









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Not so common - fortunately for me when I stick my fingers in to collect some seaweed: Golden-Tail Moray

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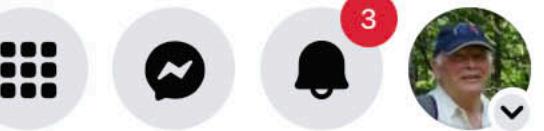
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More damselfish: Juvenile 3-Spot Damselfish

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Three spot Damselfish, older

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More damselfish: juvenile Bicolour Damselfish, common but hard to "catch"

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Poss. a Longfin Damselfish

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I think it's a Disky Damselfish, common but skittish

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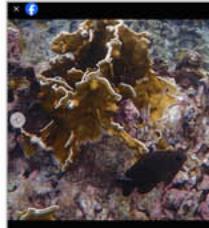
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a "basement" - older, dead fire coral below the living coral, usually with escape hatches

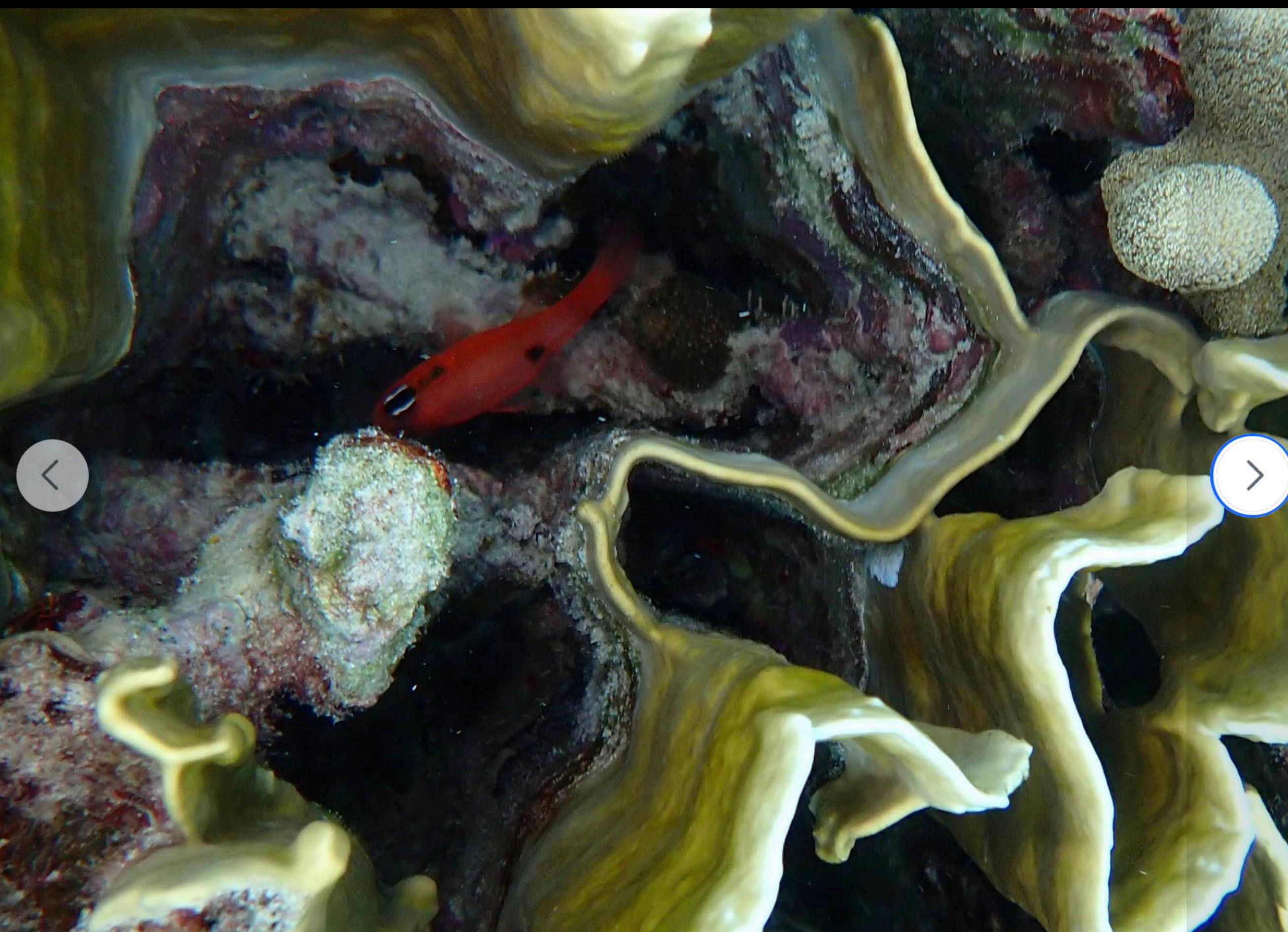
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Sometimes a small fish flashes across my field of vision and I try to catch it. Finally caught this one, a Flame Fish, with 2 white stripes across its eyes, very distinctive.

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Soapfish - the adults are found under ledges

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Common but difficult to get close to, a Red-lip Blenny

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A mystery fish

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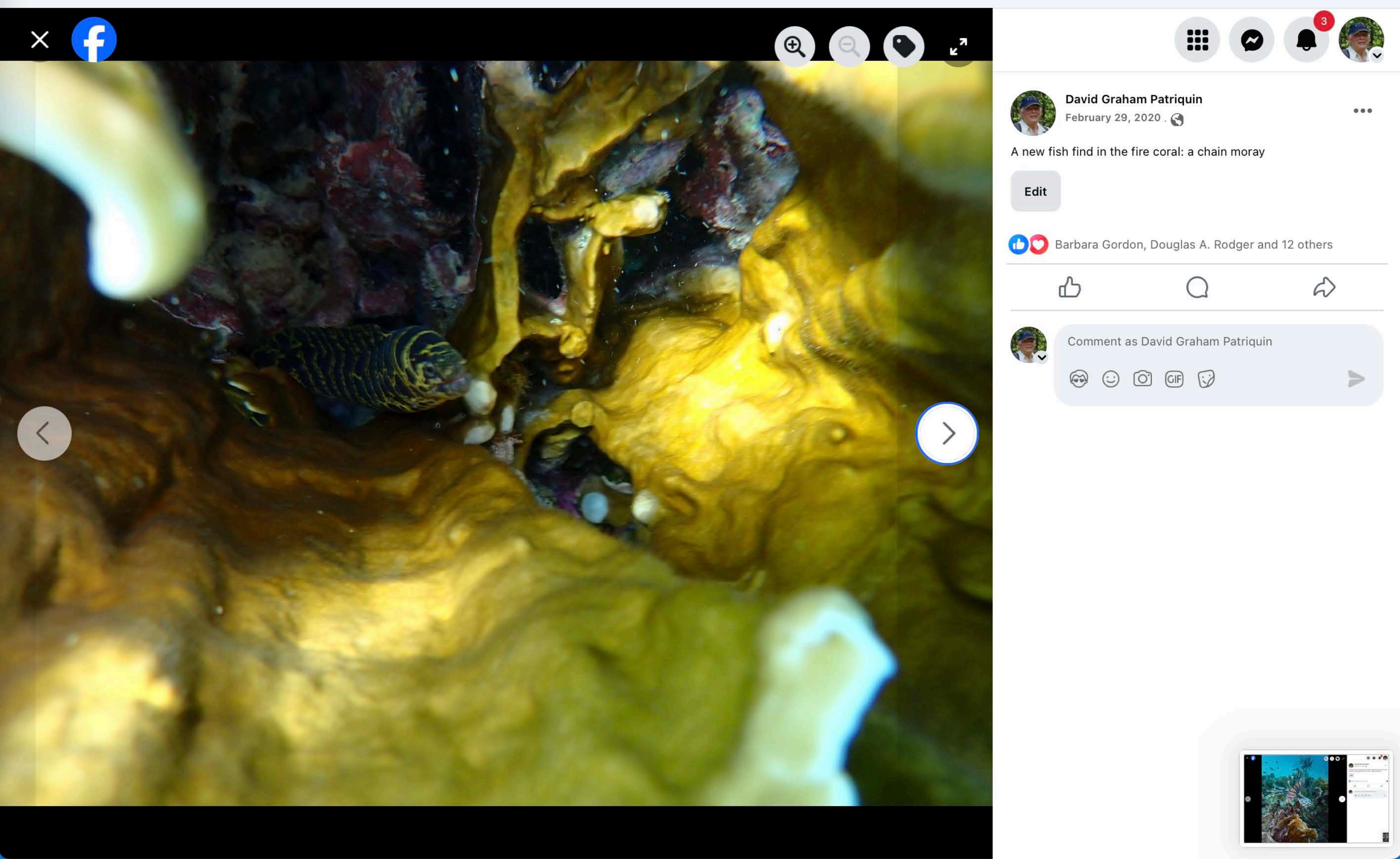
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A new fish find in the fire coral: a chain moray

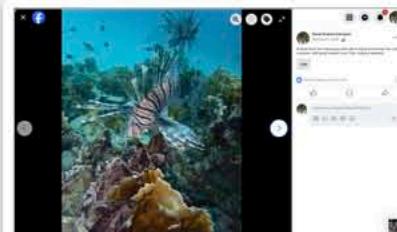
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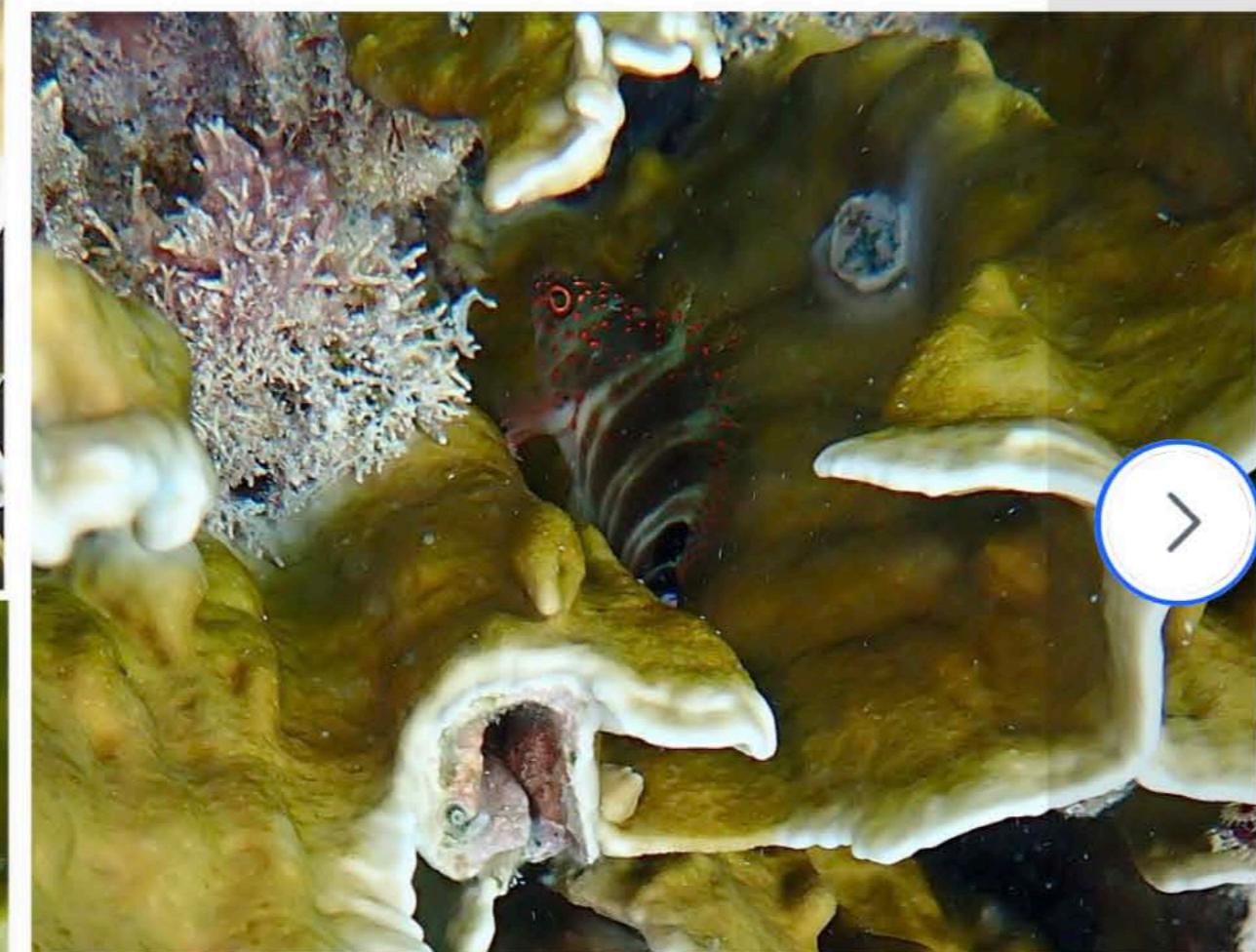


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More fish finds in the villages - I had seen this one a number of times, finally caught it, but what is it? A juvenile of the seabass group? The darkness brings out the iridescent spots... New thought: I believe it is a redspotted hawkfish, *Amblycirrhitus pinos*

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Gilda Bowridge

Amazing! I wonder how nature can be so astonishing!

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Filefish, orange spotted

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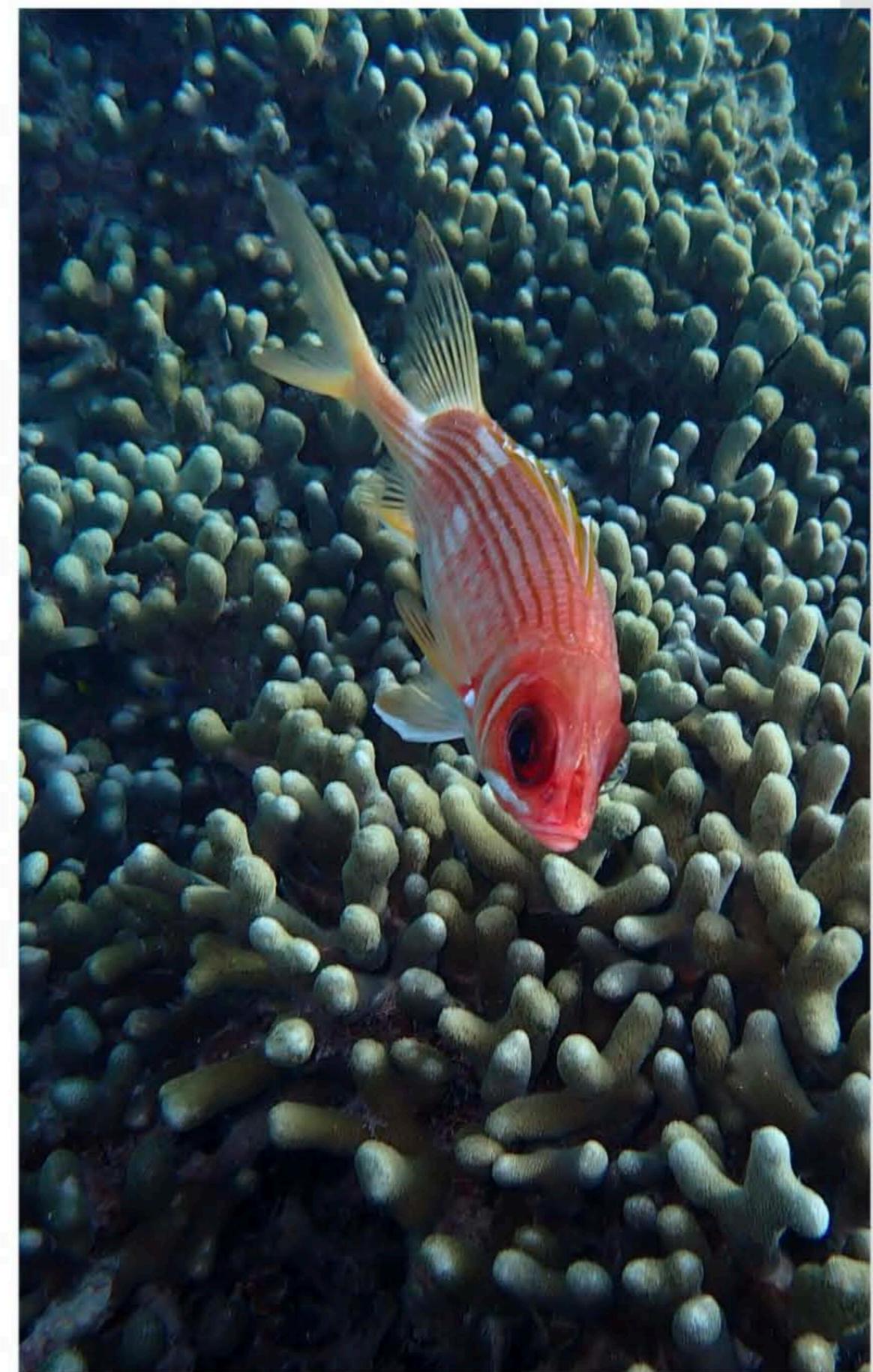
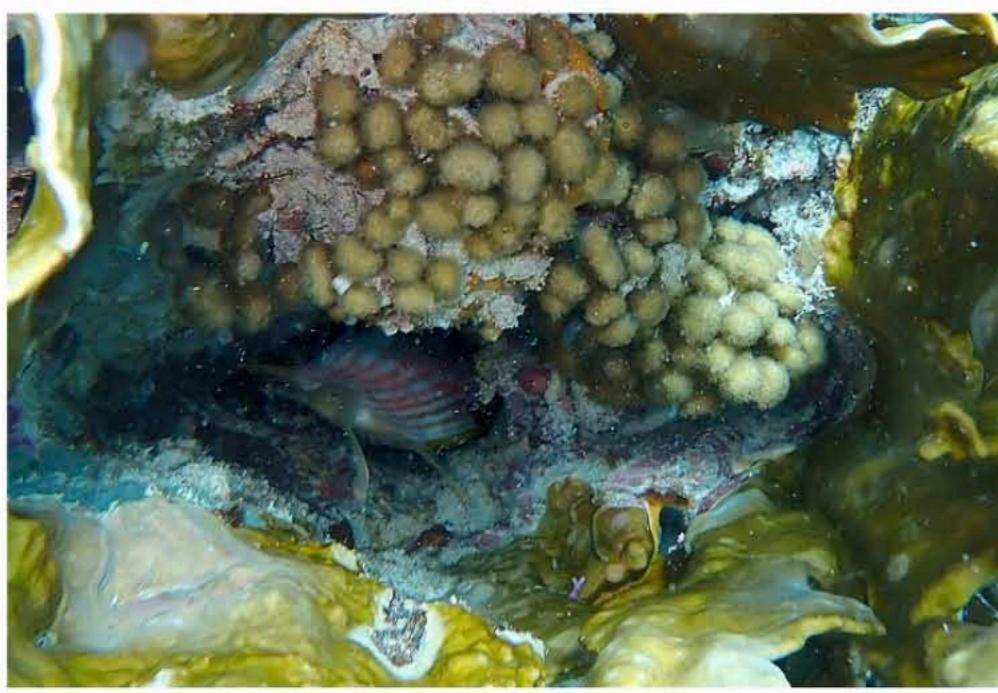
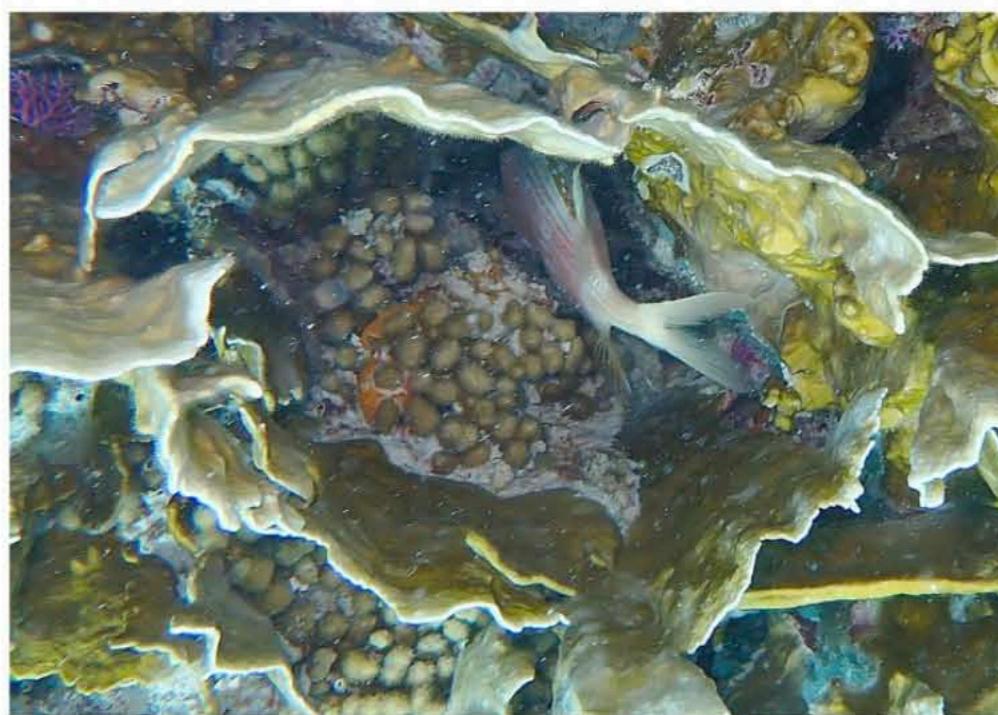
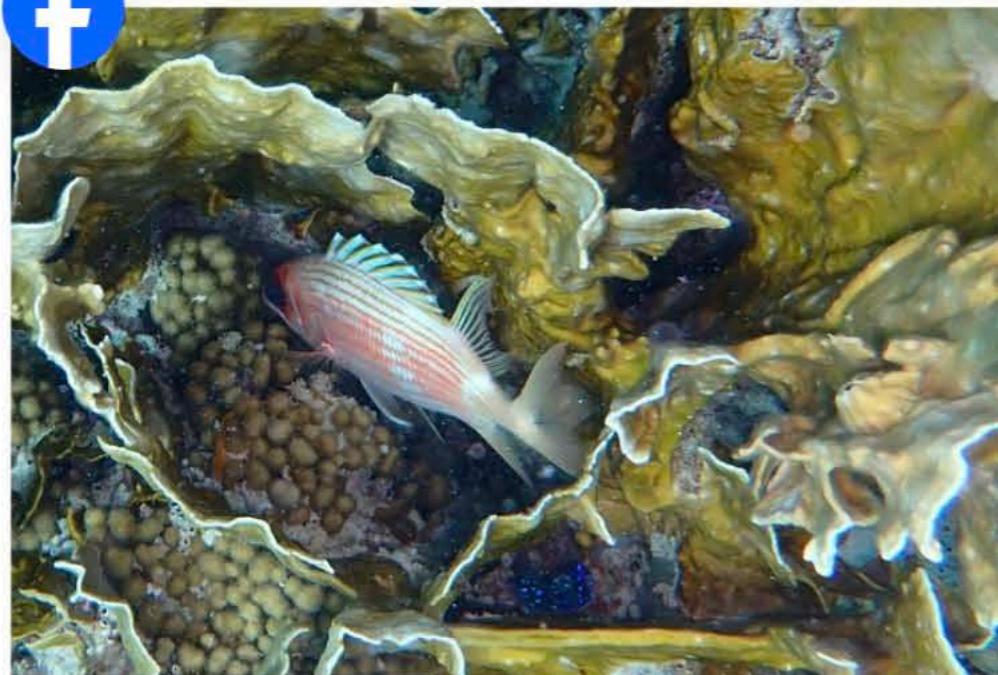
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Squirrelfish, not sure which one, perhaps a longspine squirrelfish. I saw it enter, go down and then squeeze itself into an opening and disappear.. finally I think I have an explanation for the common bruises I see on these fish (at right). I am beginning to think that many of fish I see on these reefs utilize the villages as juveniles.

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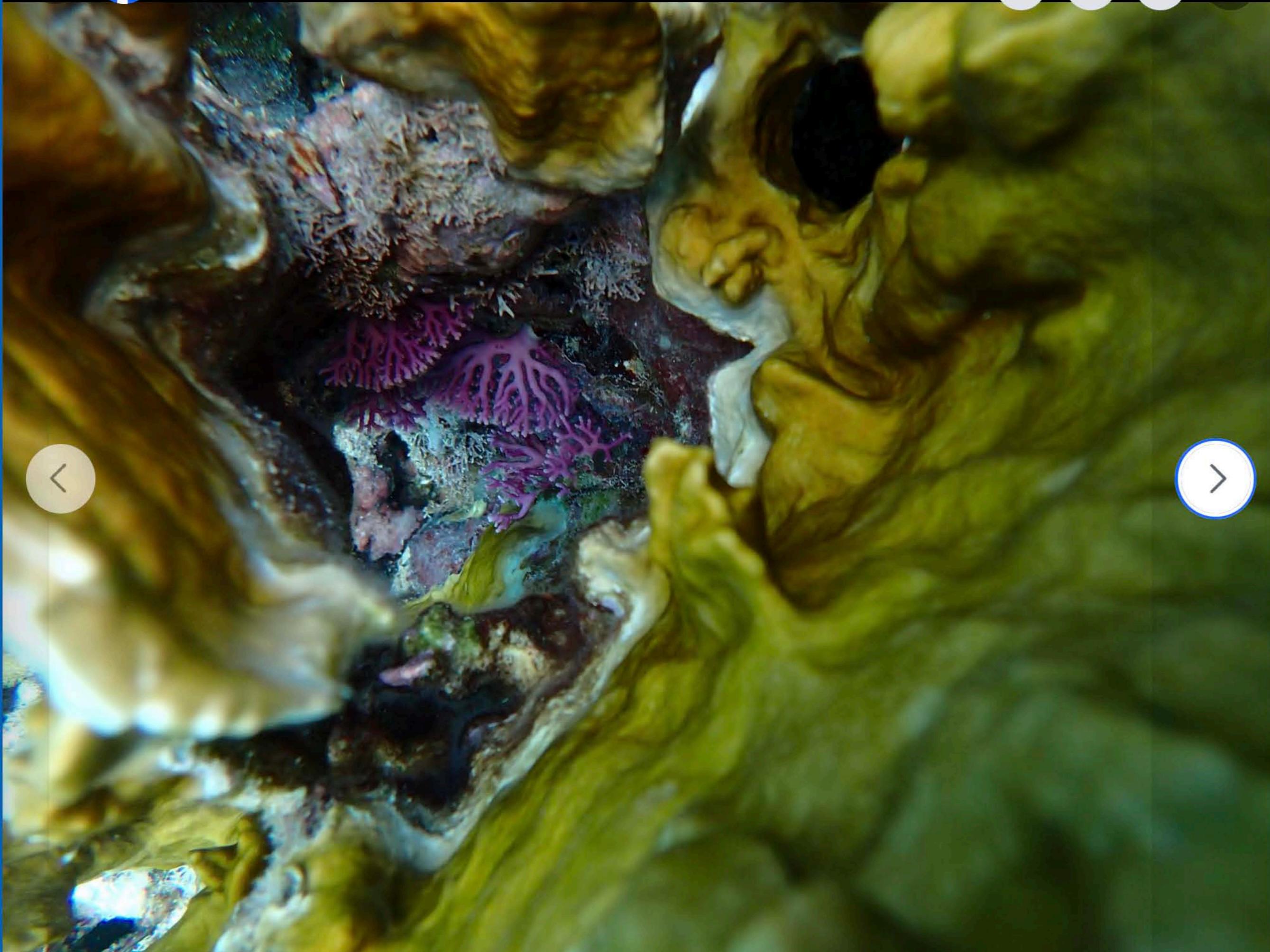
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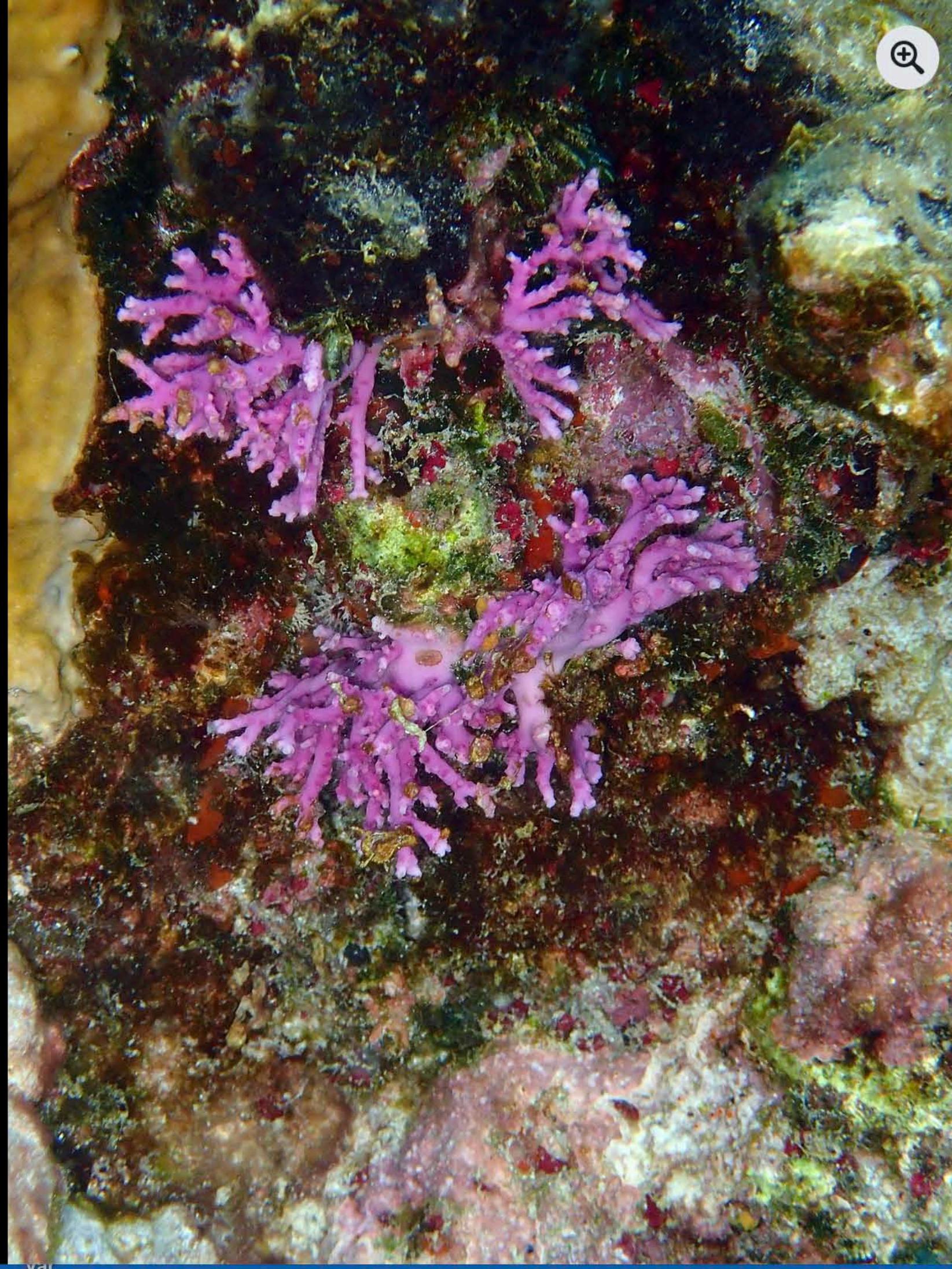
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Stylaster roseus - it has been used in jewellery, but has some degree of protection under CITES (Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora)

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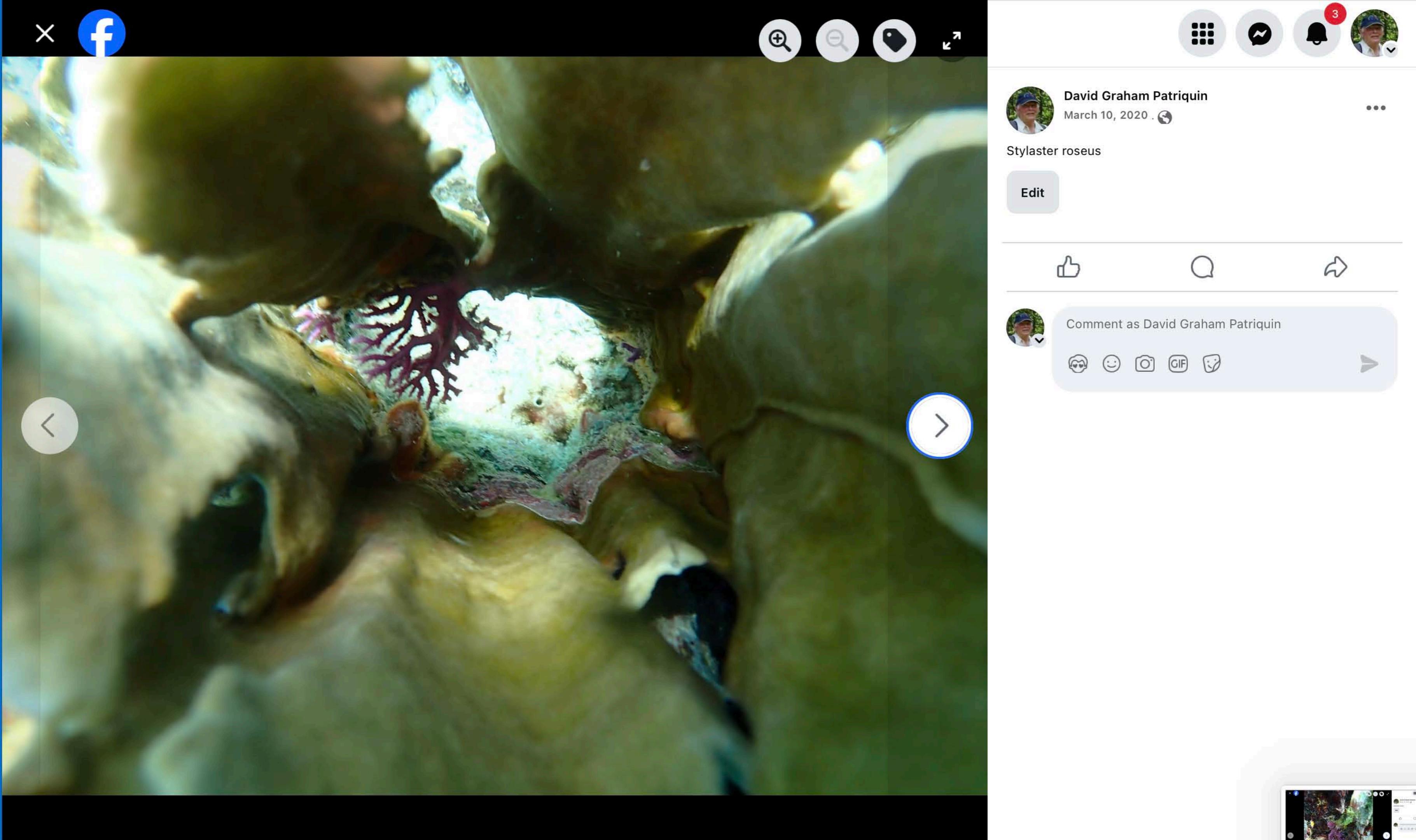
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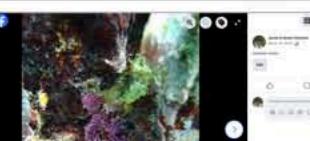
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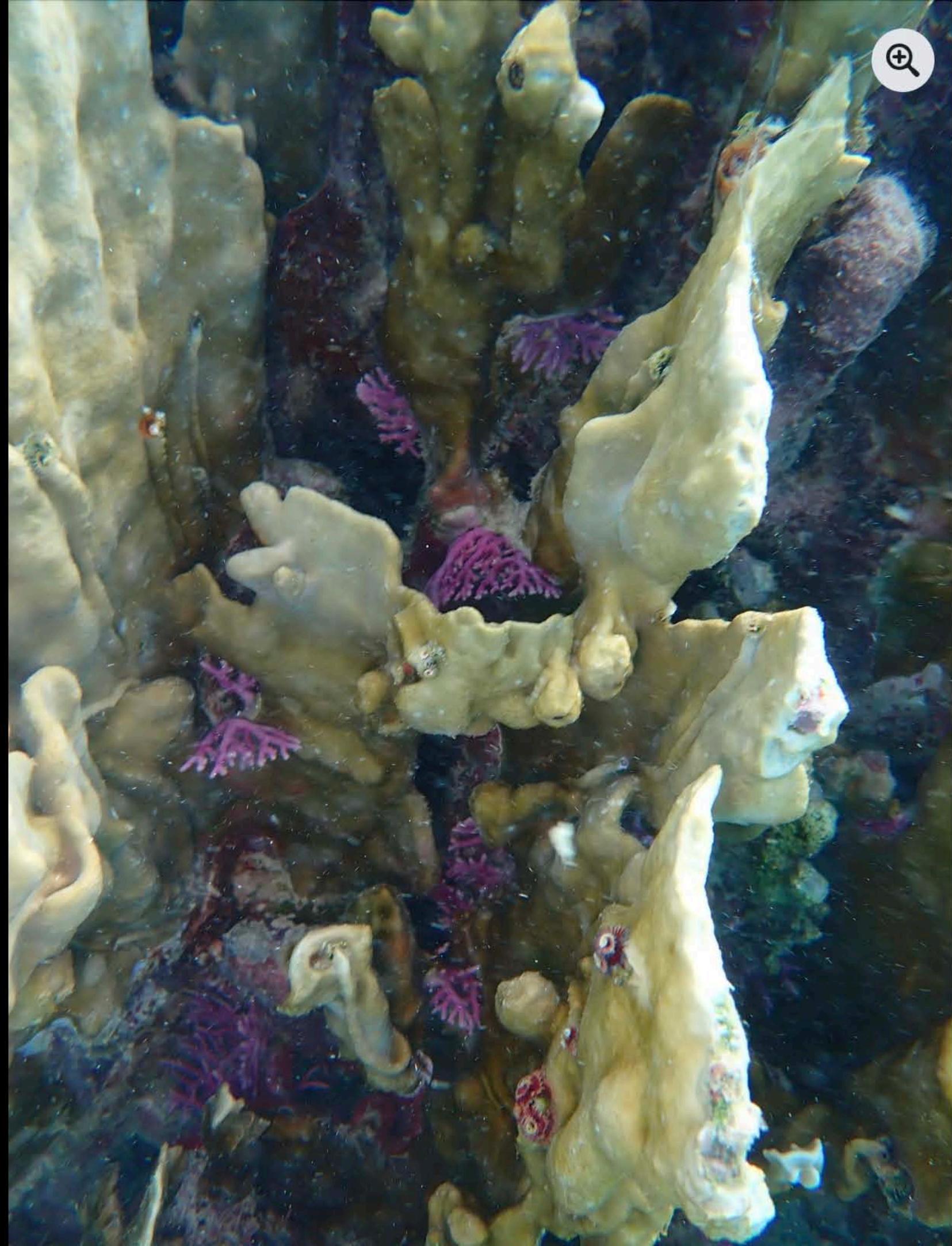
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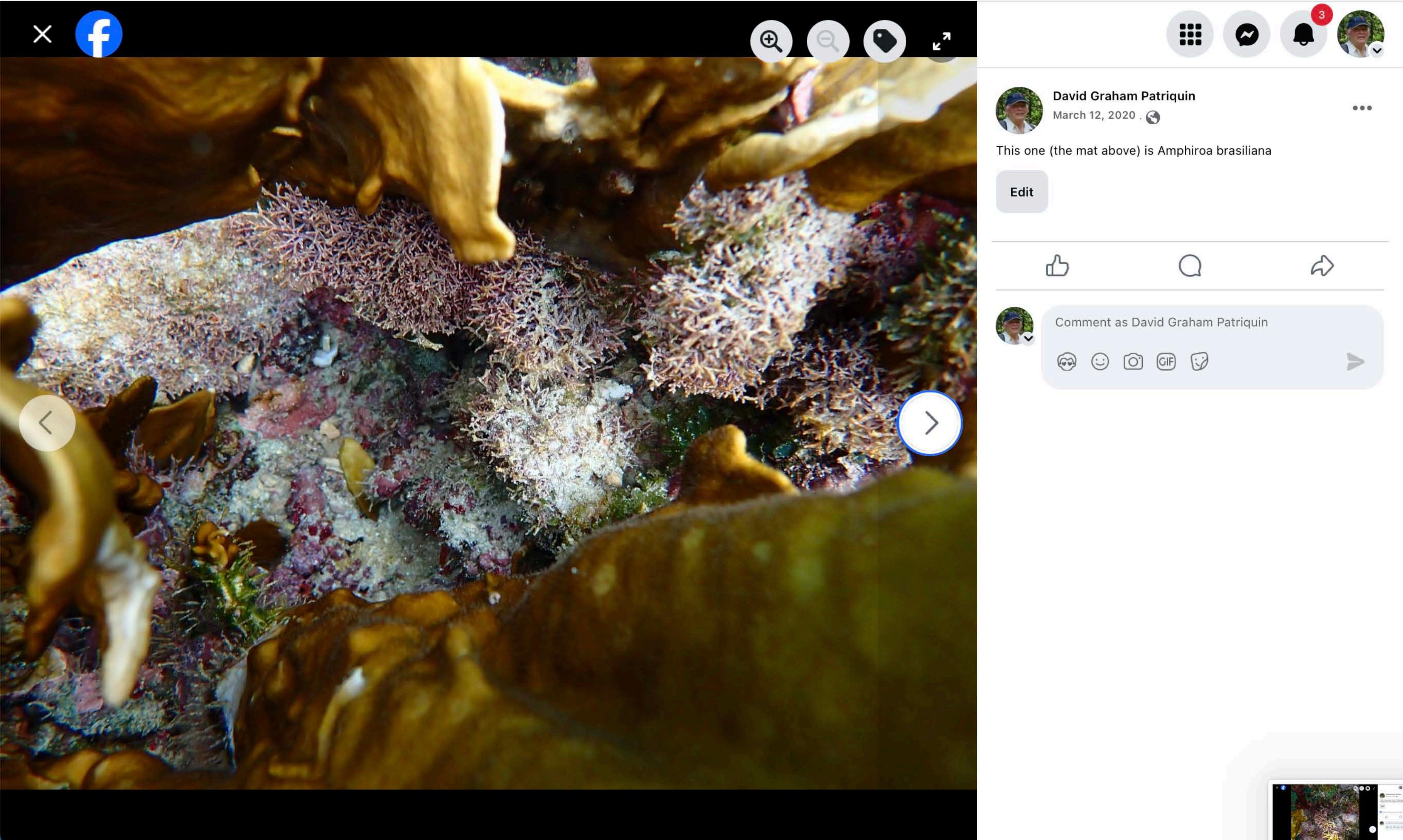


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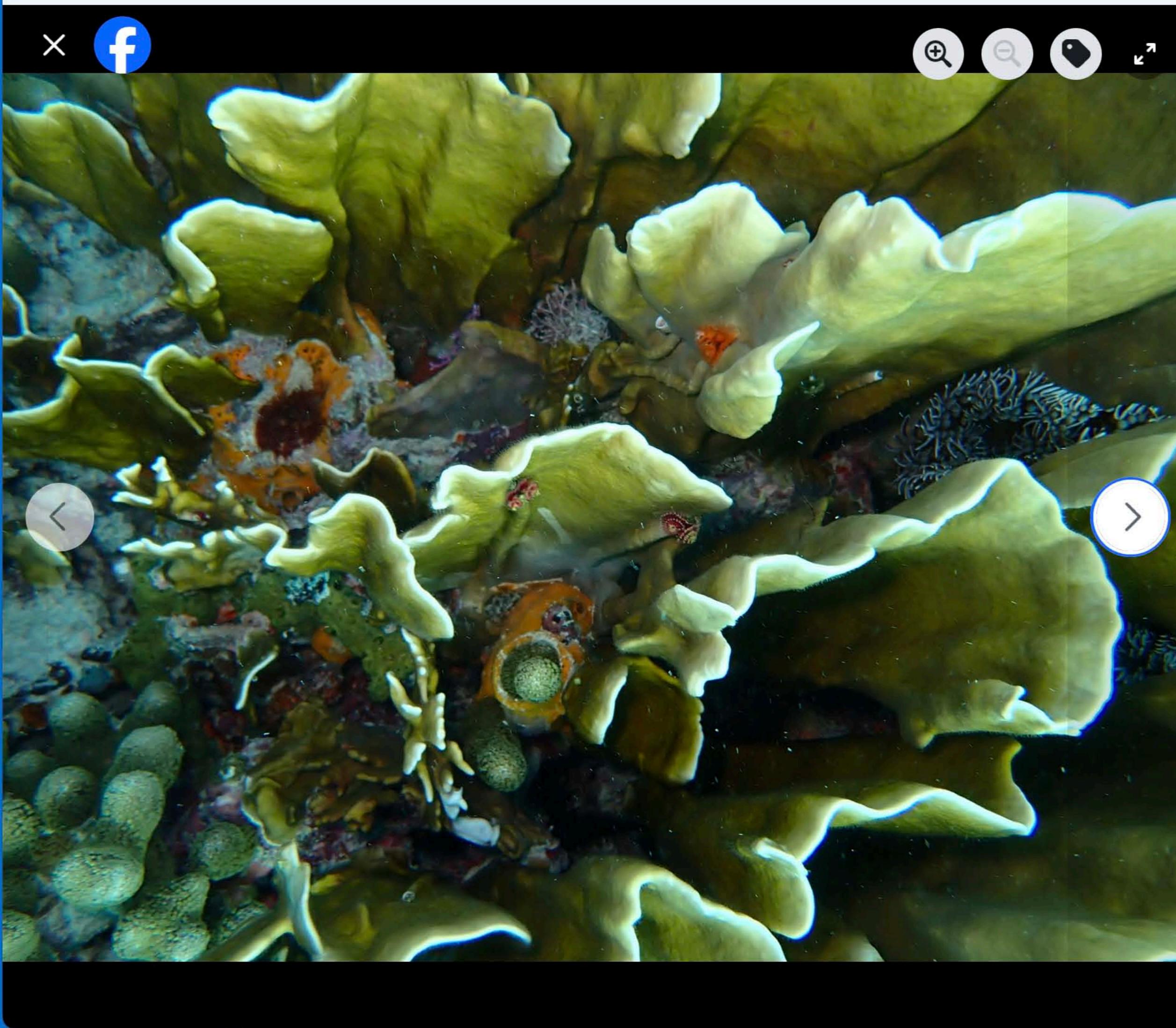
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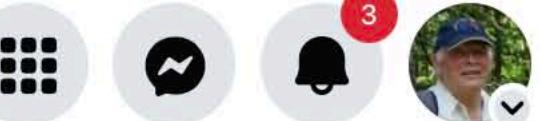
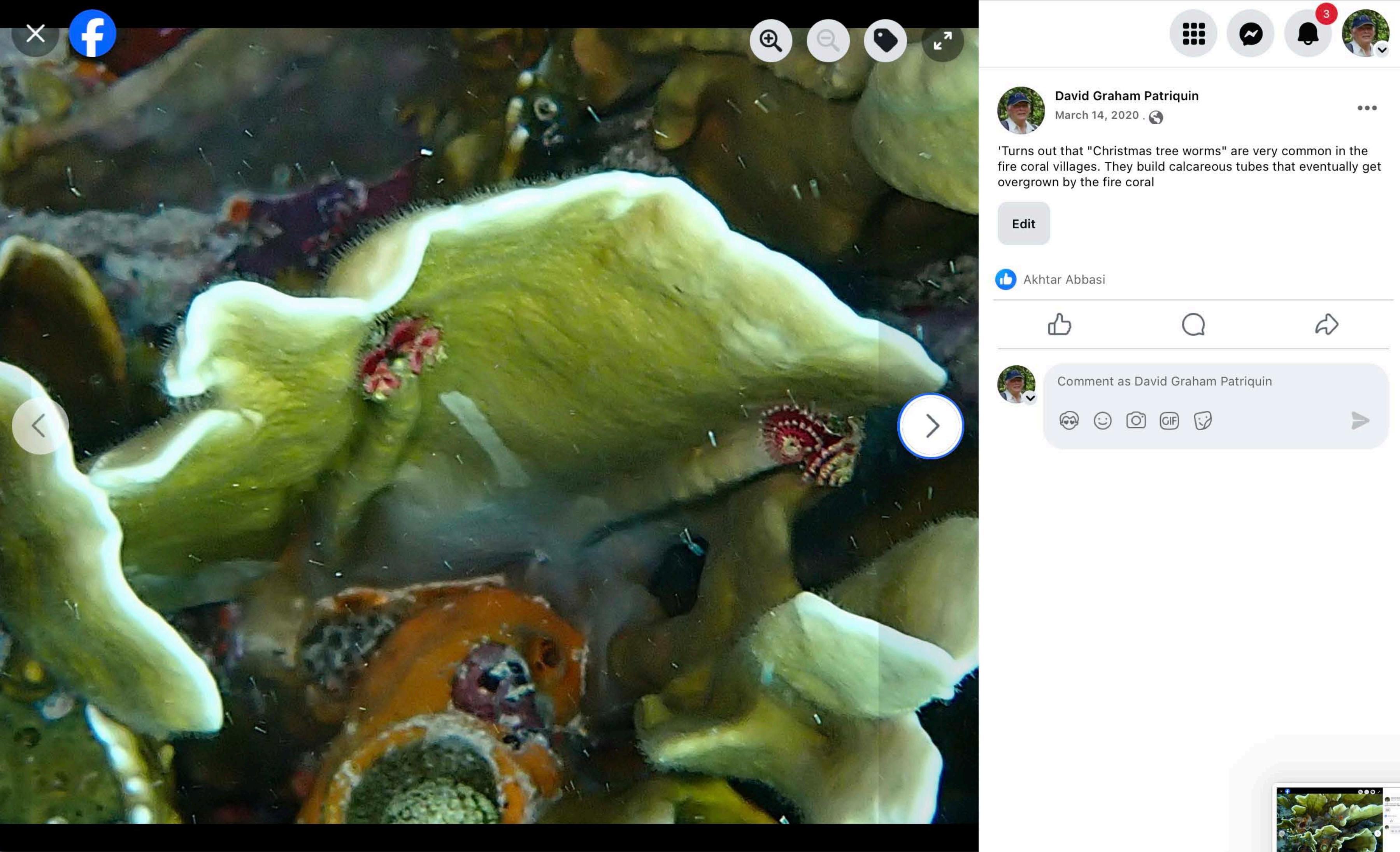
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'Turns out that "Christmas tree worms" are very common in the fire coral villages. They build calcareous tubes that eventually get overgrown by the fire coral

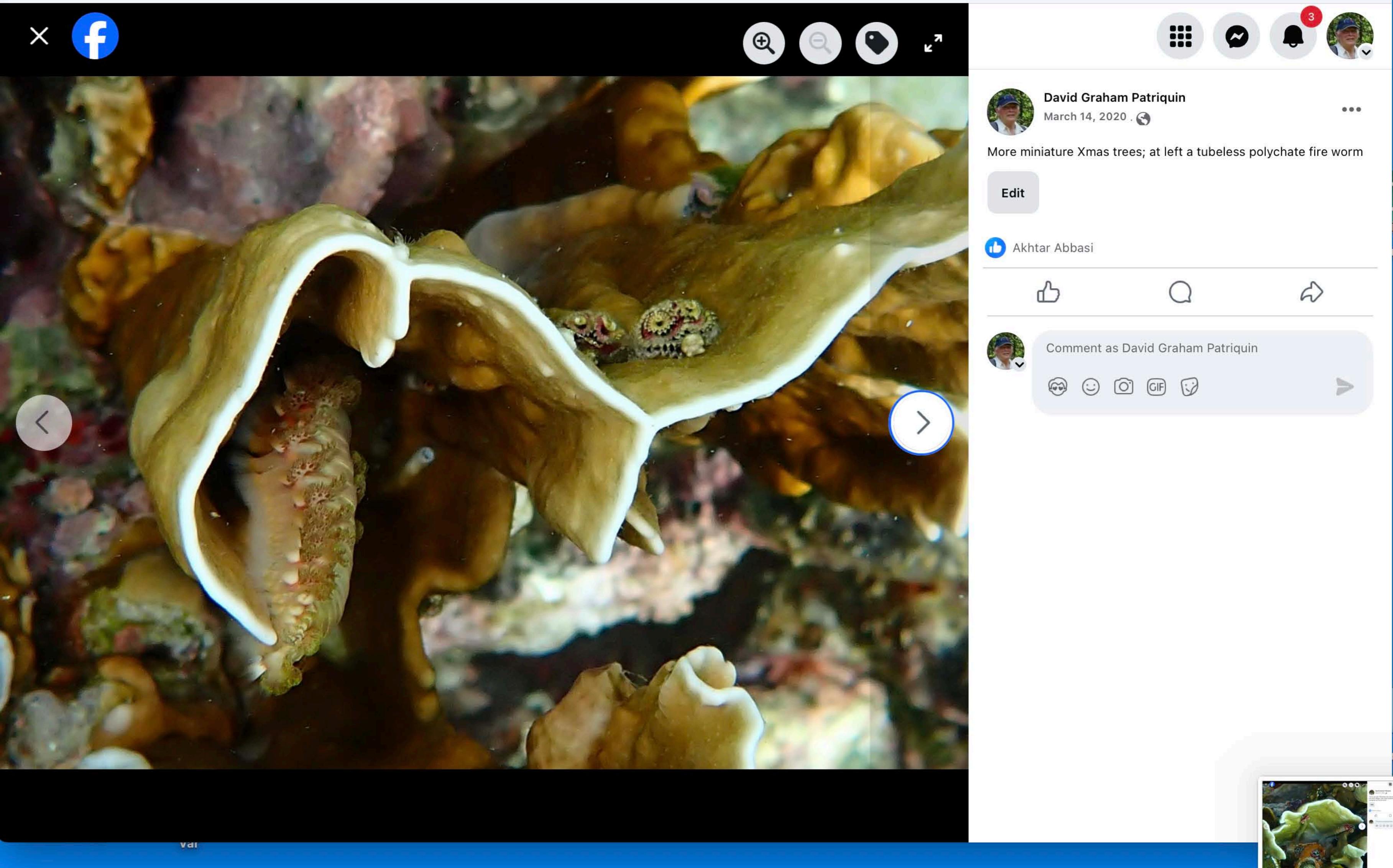
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More miniature Xmas trees; at left a tubeless polychaete fire worm

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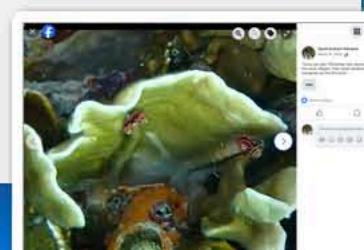
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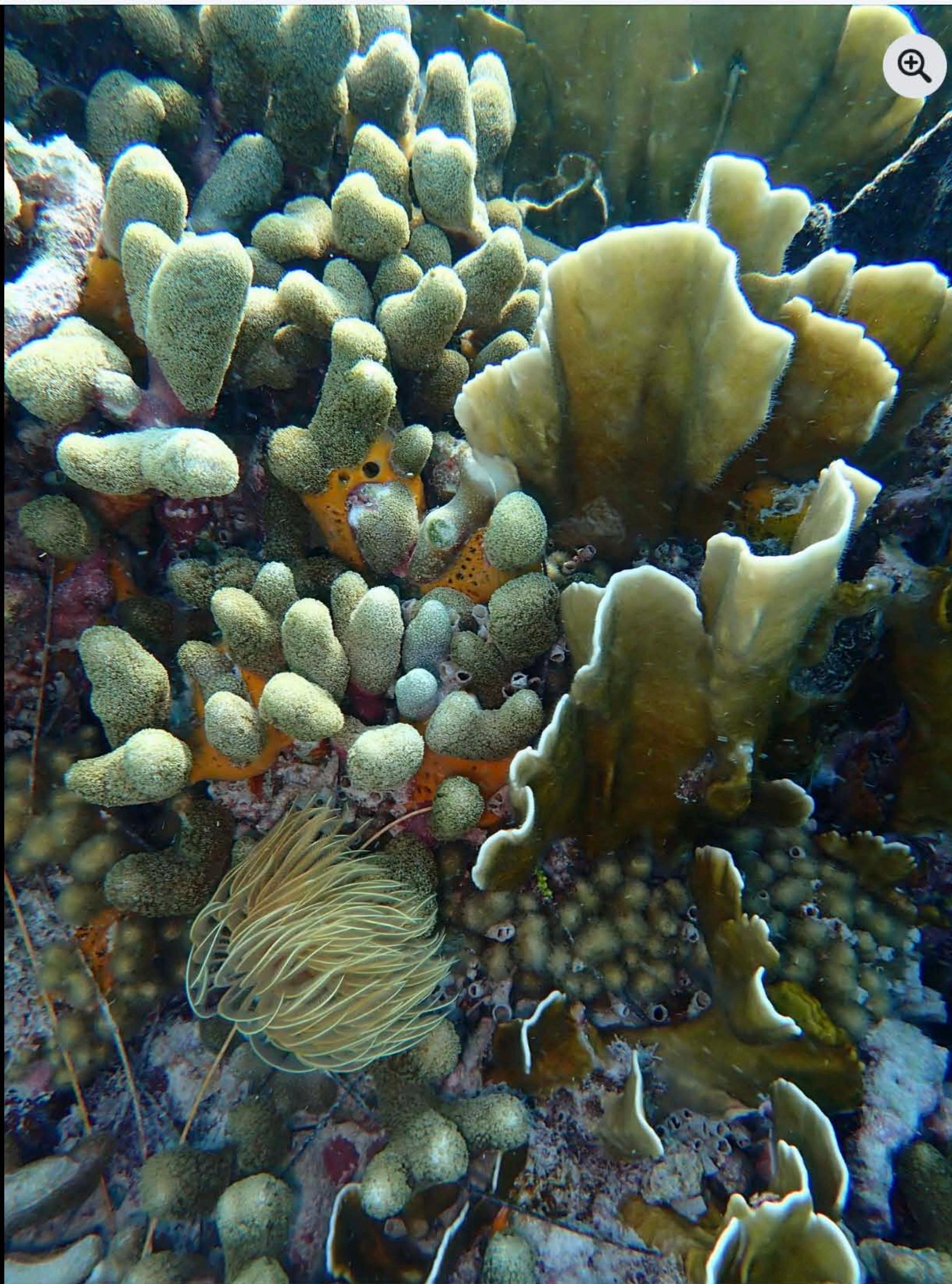
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There are also "Feather Duster" worms

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