

David Graham Patriquin

February 4, 2018 . 

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The Beach

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February 4, 2018 .

100% suntan lotion

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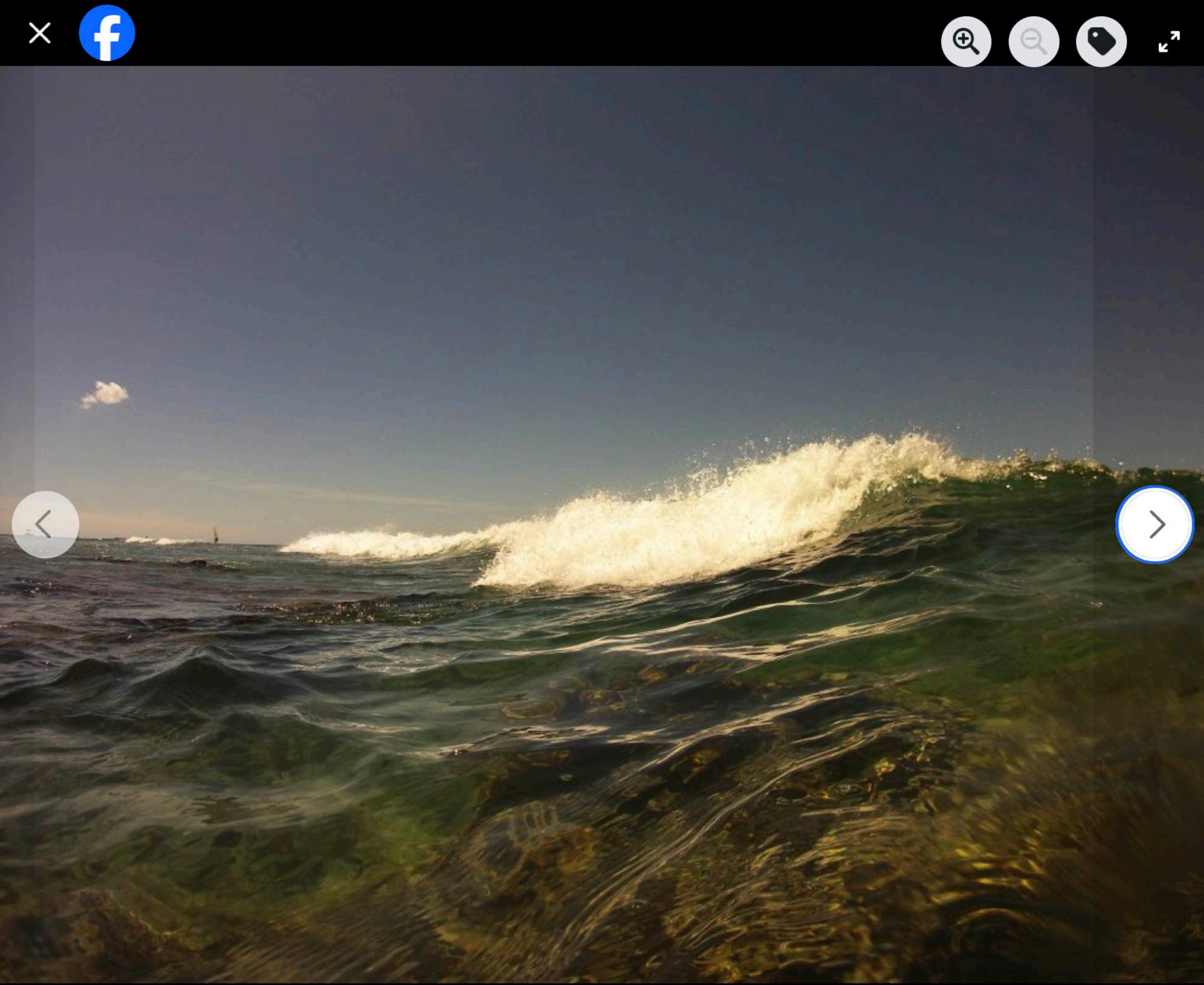
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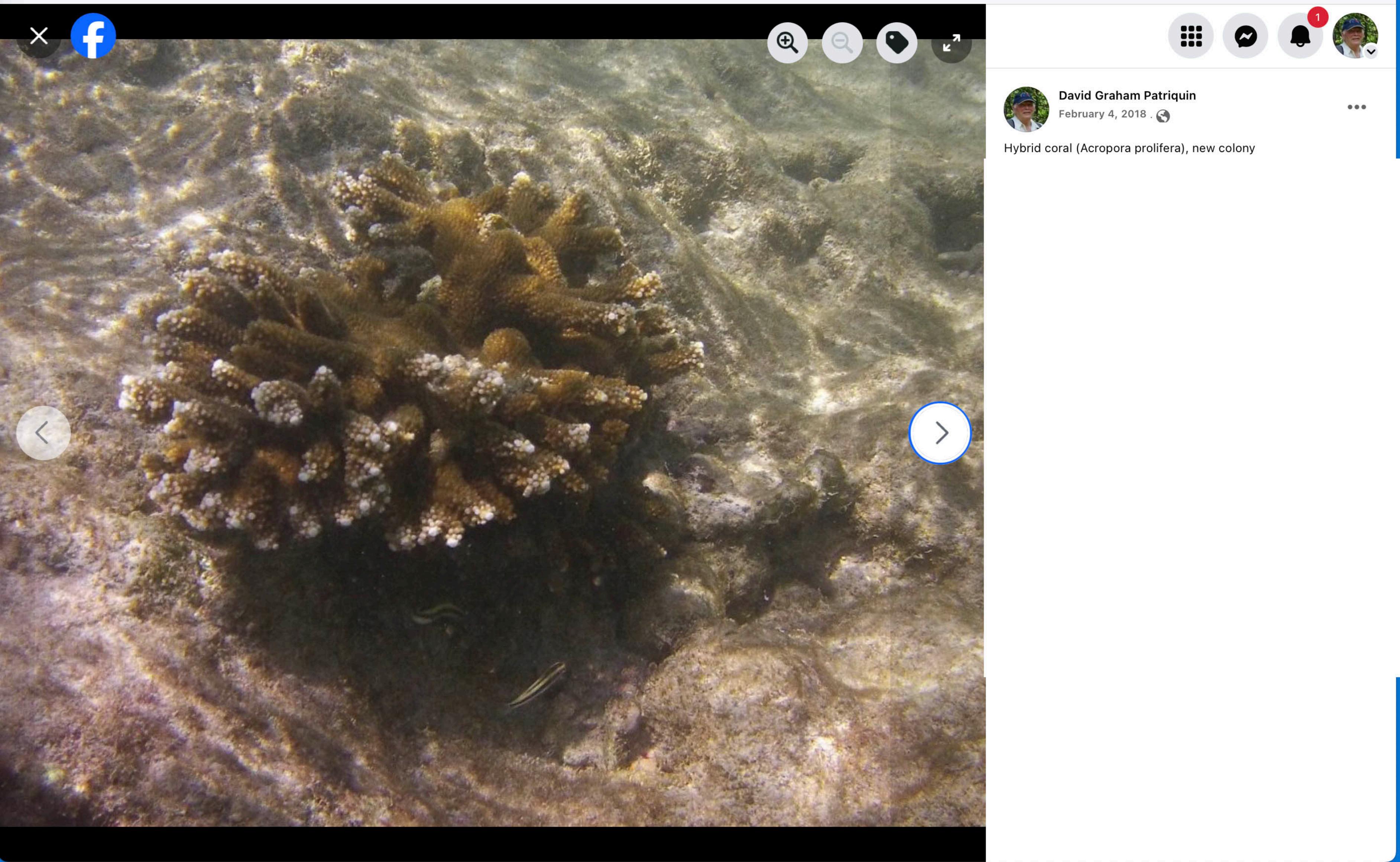


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First off: The reef crest to look for hybrid coral





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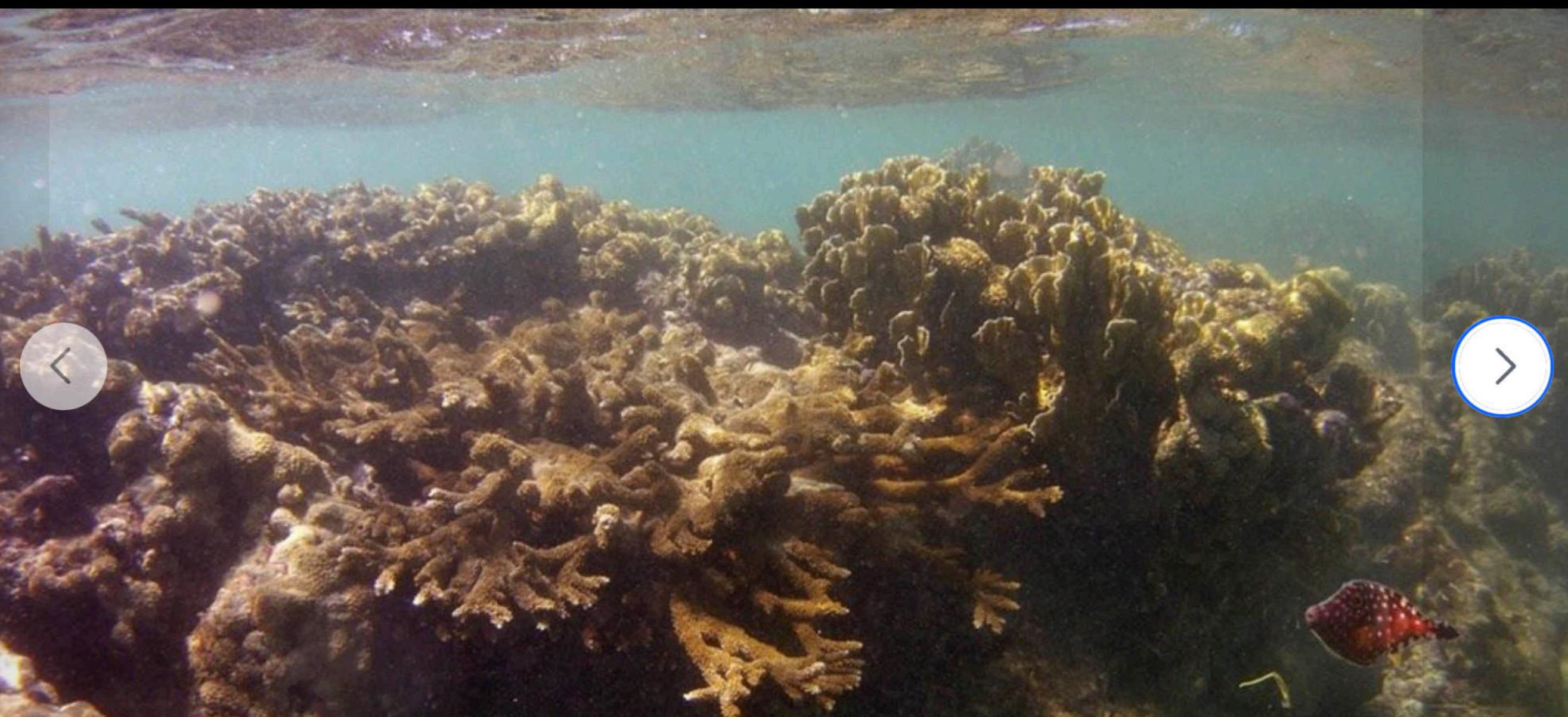
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Hybrid coral (Acropora prolifera), new colony

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The mother colony (at left)

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The Wreck

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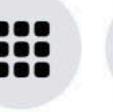
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This white-spotted file fish insisted on keeping me company today; what a nice feeling

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My filefish friend again, changed colour, lost spots..they do it within seconds

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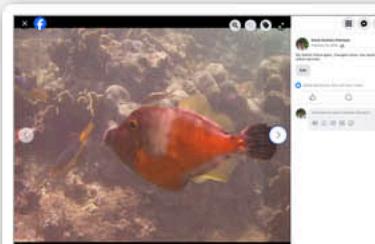
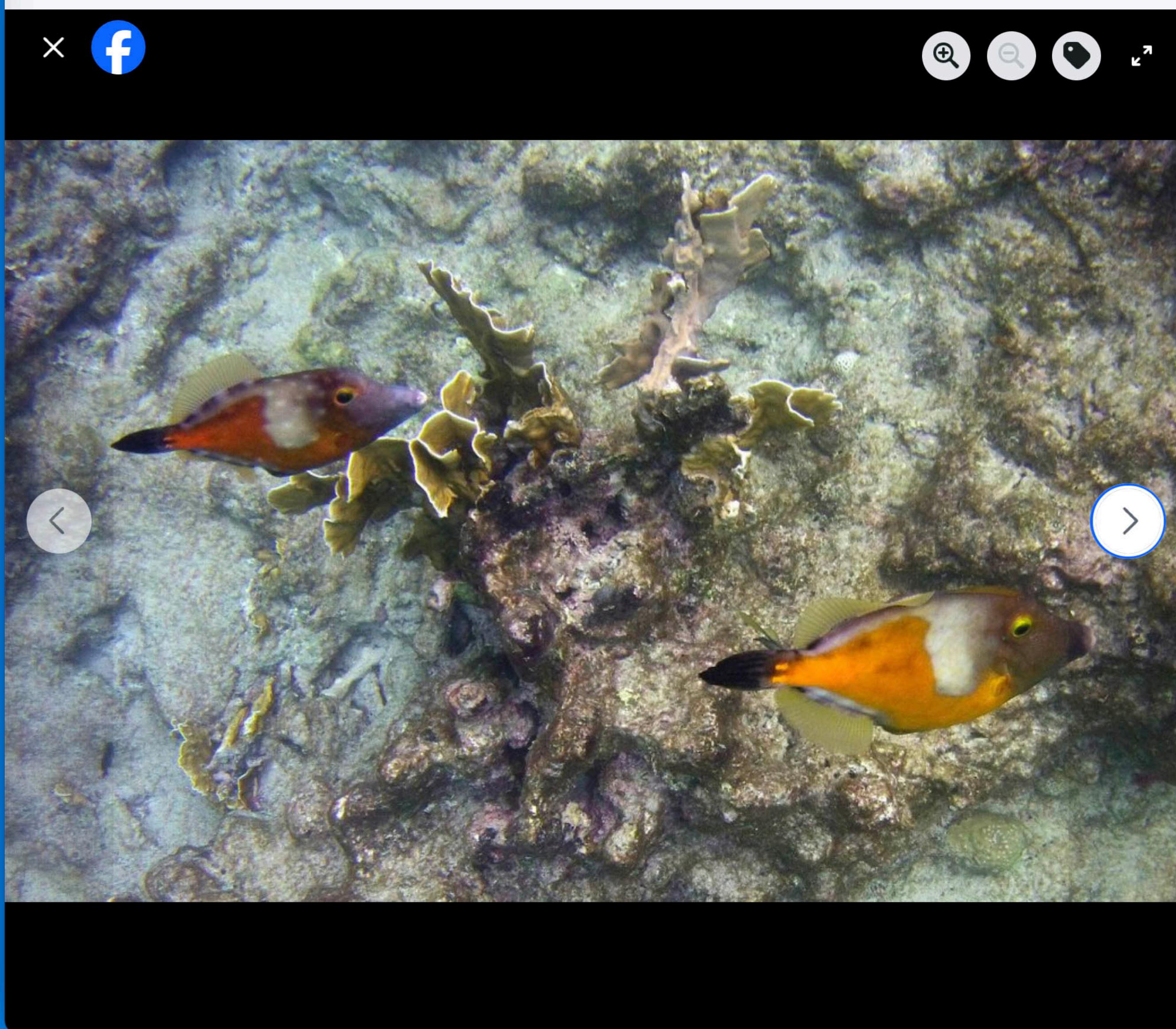
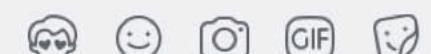
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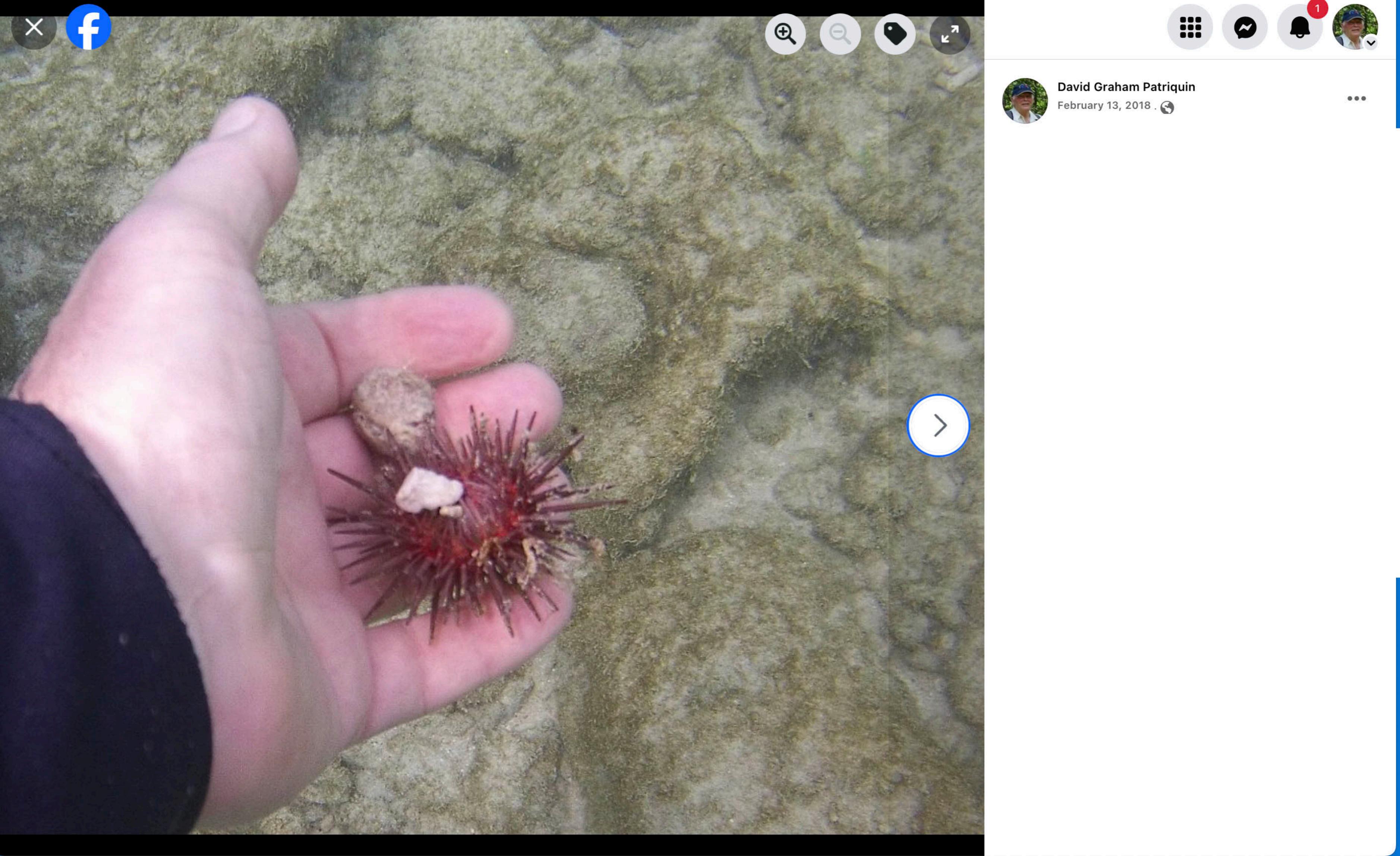
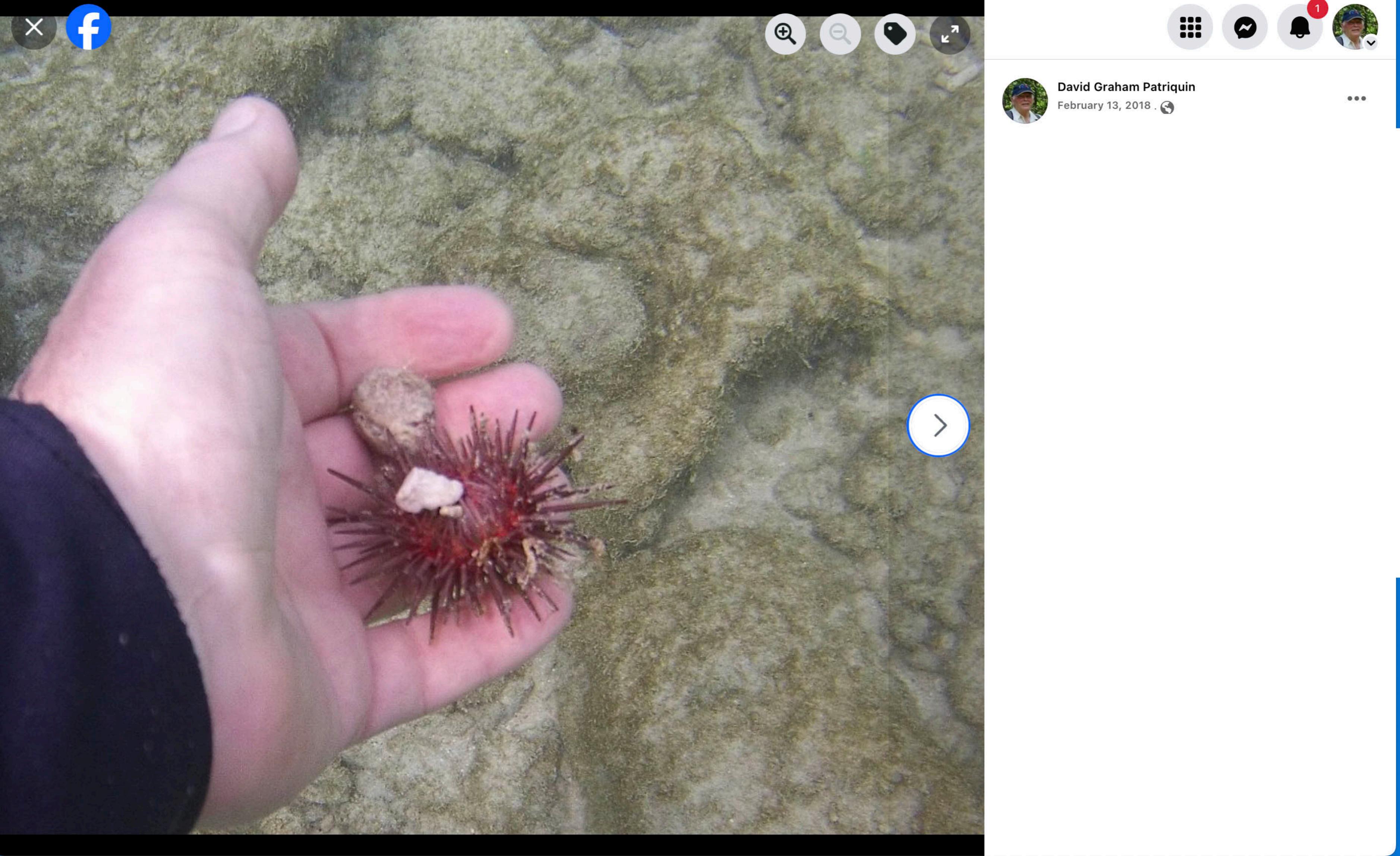
younger filefish

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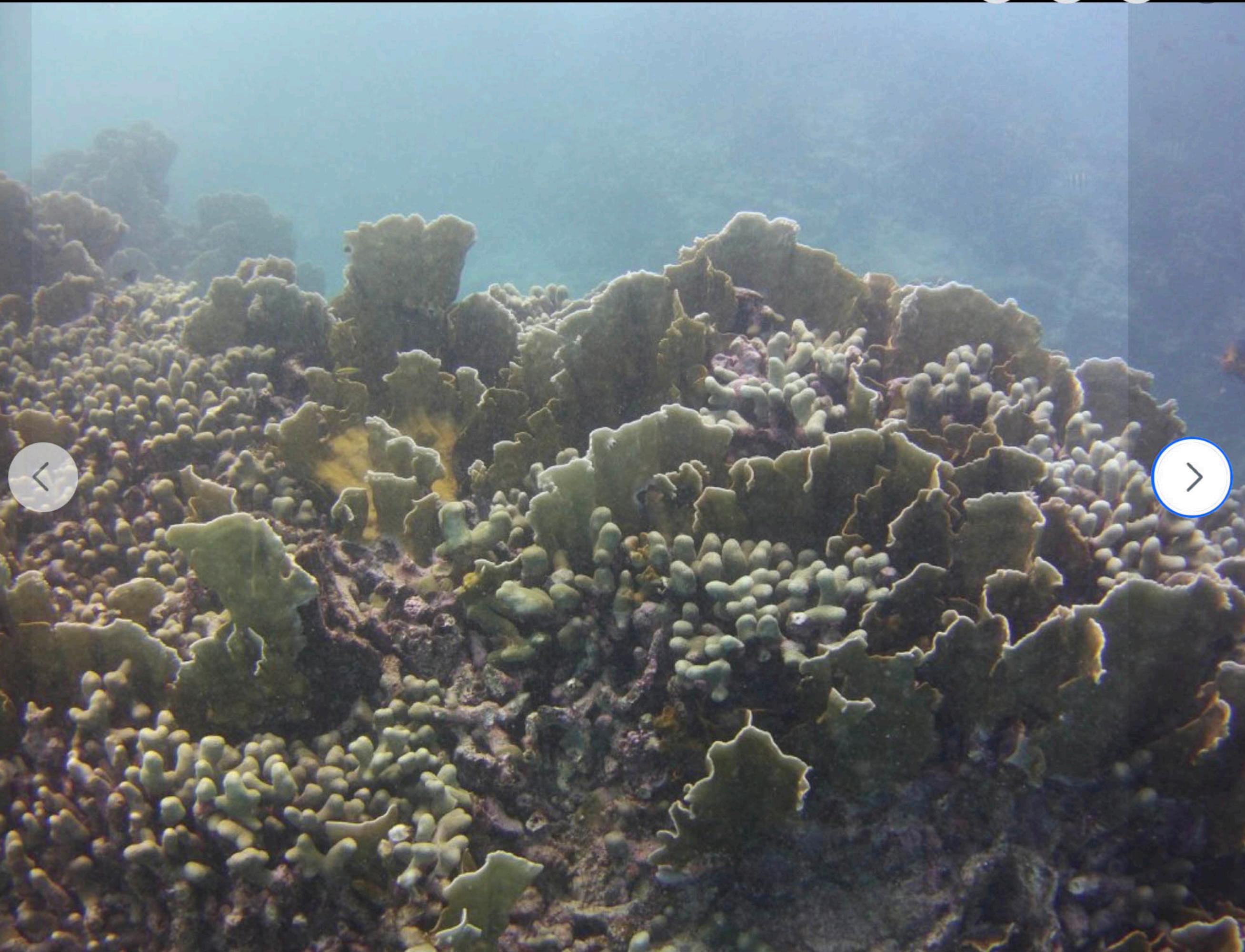
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Gail Storey sea urchin

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Dave meets his friend again

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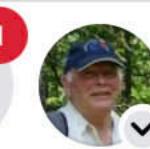
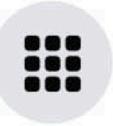
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Swell break on the reef flat

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100MICRO (Sealife Micro HD camera)

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The reef crest, stinging coral just exposed. You can walk right up to about 10 m from the breaking waves as long as you stay behind the reef crest.

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Reef crest covered

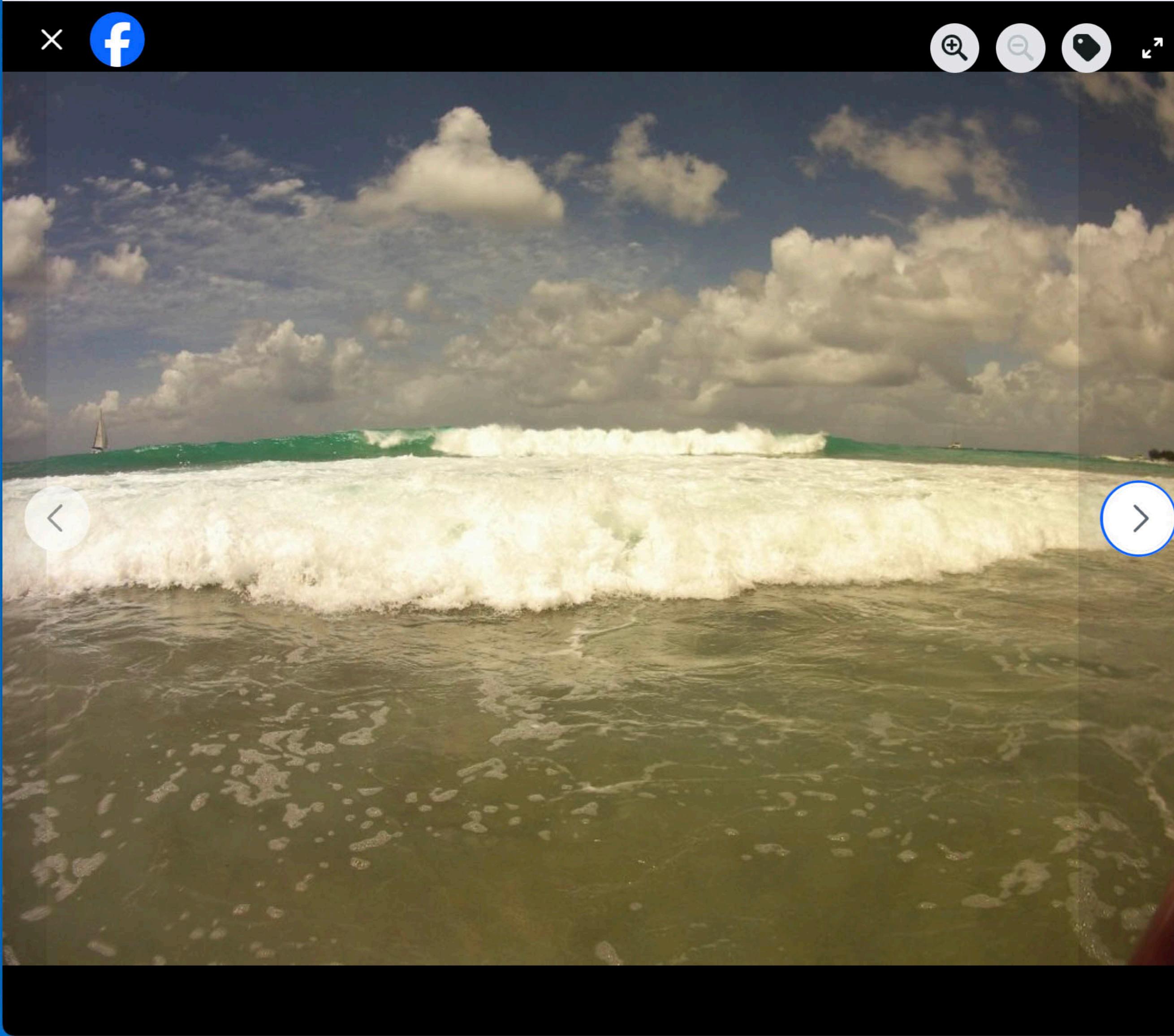
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(Sealife Micro HD camera)

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A frigate bird flew overhead in the early am which I took as a good sign as I set out to do a "highly precise" transect across the reef flat

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I lined the transect up via the bar in the fence and the tree behind.  
Nick Hill do you approve?

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To measure distances and depths I used the graduated 2 m pole that I had hidden in some bushes 3 years ago (used in seagrass surveys).

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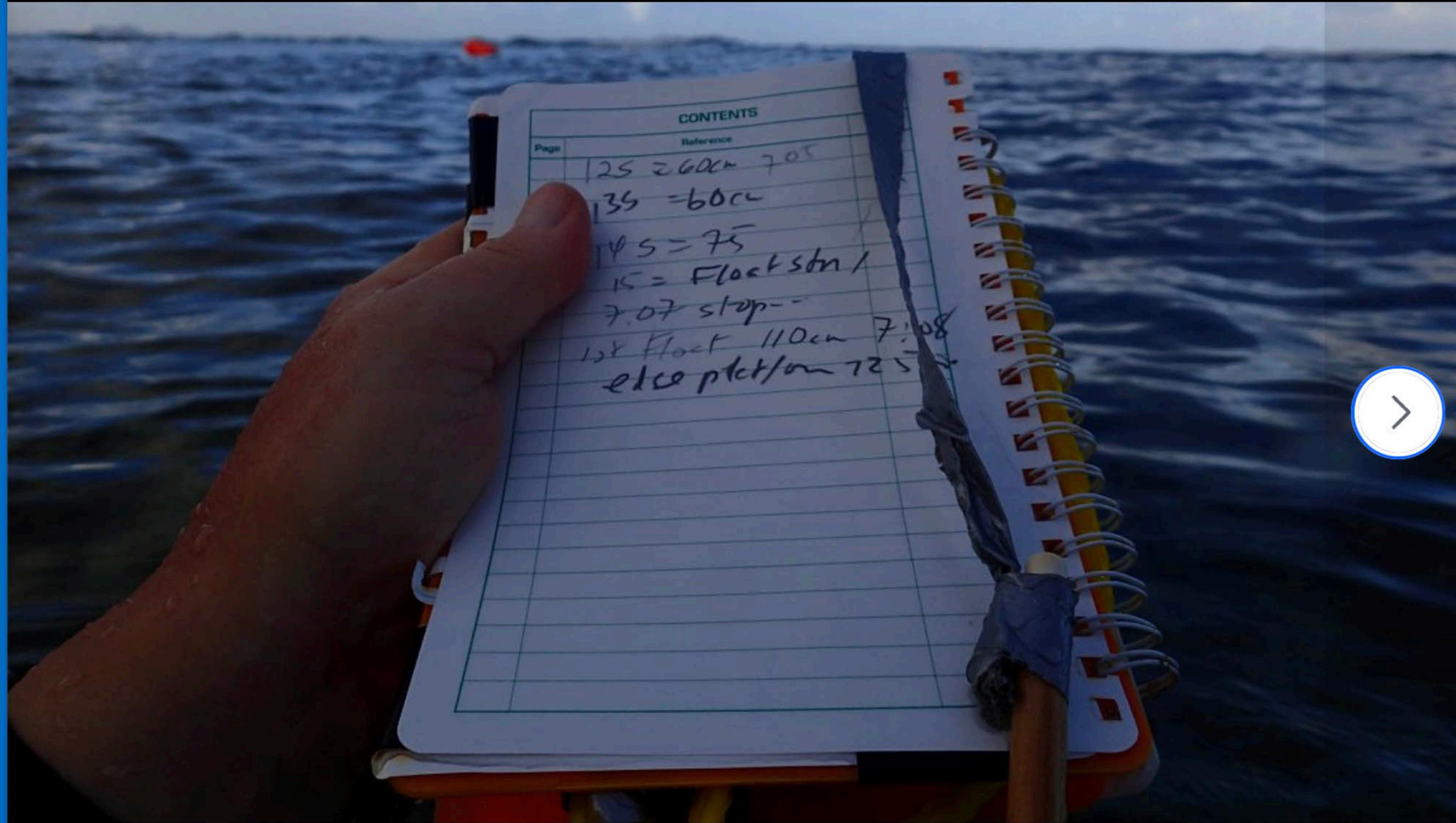
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Waterproof notebook. It starts out neat.



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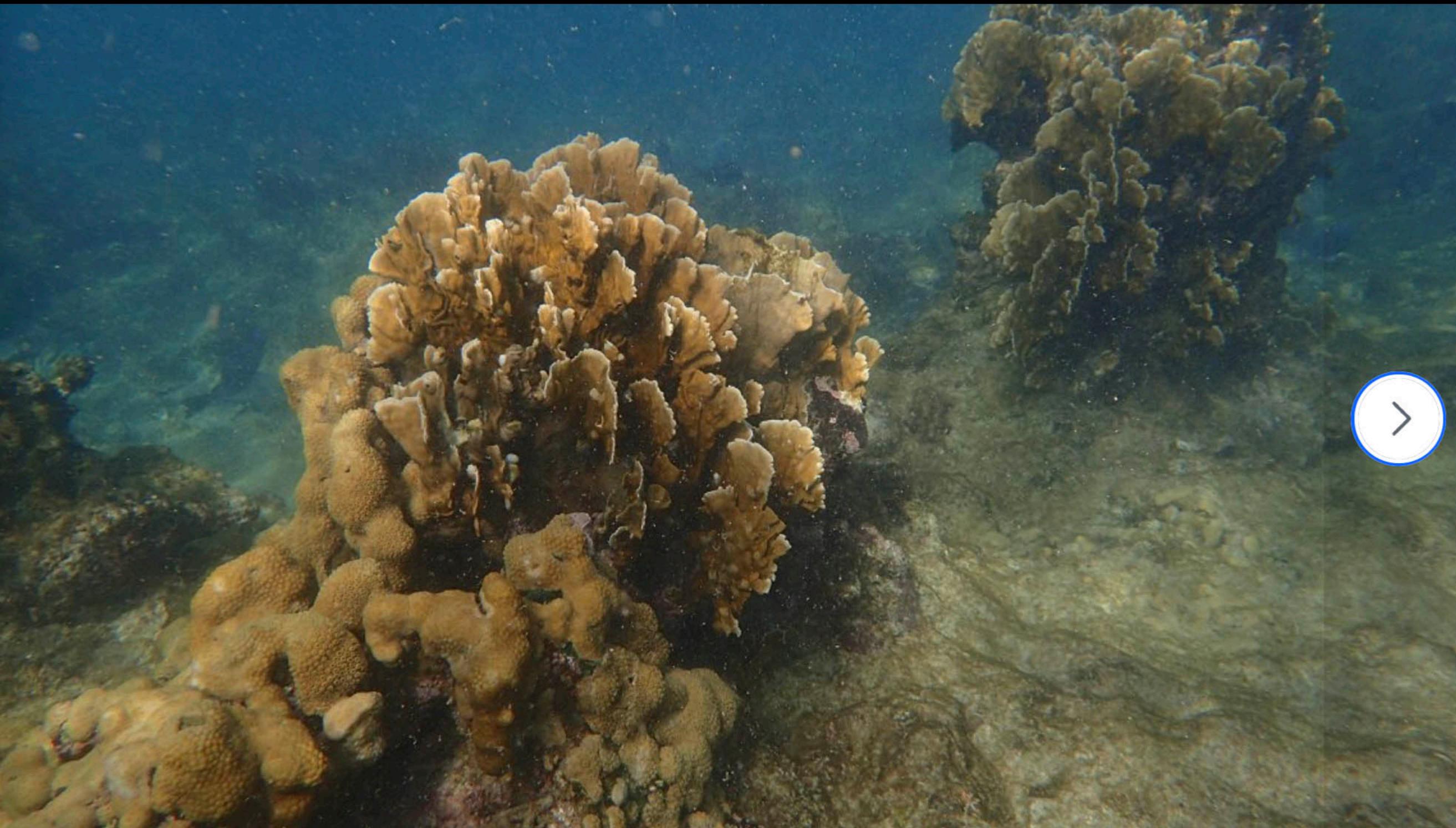
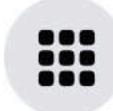
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When I got to the reef crest zone, the swells were breaking, i lost my notebook (but found it later)



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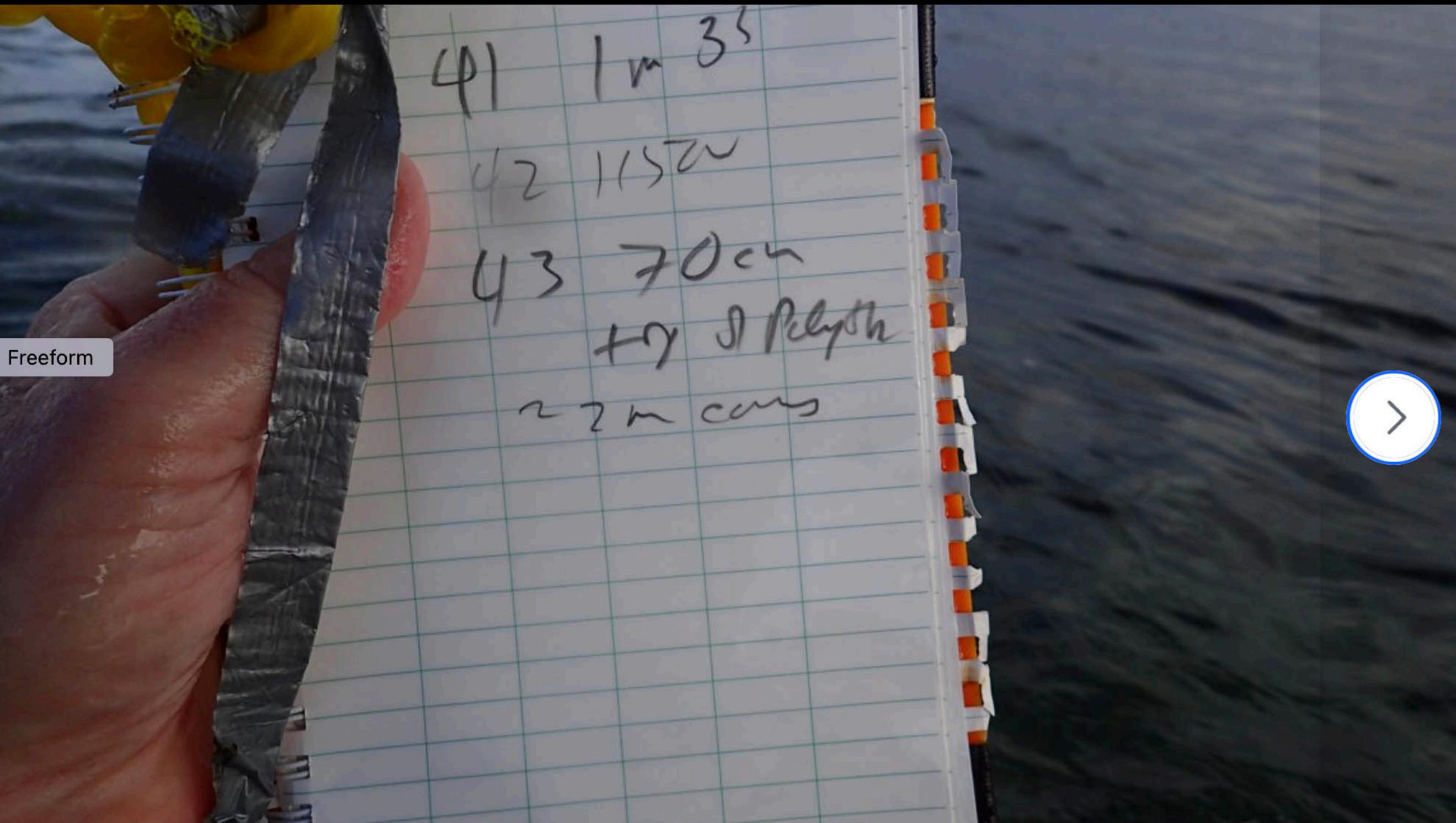


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and gashed my hands on this stinging coral

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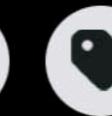


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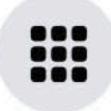
the writing got pretty sketchy...

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But, hey... who is complaining? The last time I tried to do this (3 yrs ago), I lost a \$900 camera/underwater housing. (There were much bigger swells, and a strong current swept it away). And look where I can relax when it's all done.

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March 12, 2018 .

Some of what she saw

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March 18, 2018 .

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Some good news: this is elkhorn coral off of Mullins... right by (below) the surfers' break. It pretty well disappeared from Barbados by the 1940s due to sedimentation from agriculture, then suffered a major disease throughout the Caribbean in the 1980s, now it's coming back in Barbados at least.

JB Lewis wrote about its historical occurrence in The Acropora Inheritance: A Reinterpretation of the Development of Fringing Reefs in Barbados, West Indies Coral Reefs (1984)3:117-... See more

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