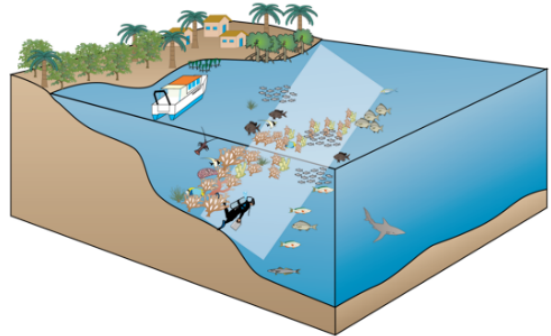


CSIRO Kaiar survey 3rd to 20th November 2024



CSIRO will be conducting a **pre-season** Kaiar abundance survey over the neap tides between the 3rd and 20th November 2024. The mothership 'Wild Blue' (20470QB) and a dive tender will be used to conduct the survey (please see pictures).

We will be counting and measuring Kaiar at approximately 74 dive sites – please see map below for numbered sites. We also count and record data about plants and some animals we see on the seabed, as well as what is at the bottom of each dive site, what we call “substrate type”. Examples of these include sand, rock, live coral, sponges, seagrass and algae, and we also count sea cucumbers, pearl shells and clams. We will also be taking measurements of water temperature and other physical data to inform Kaiar and other ongoing climate change research.



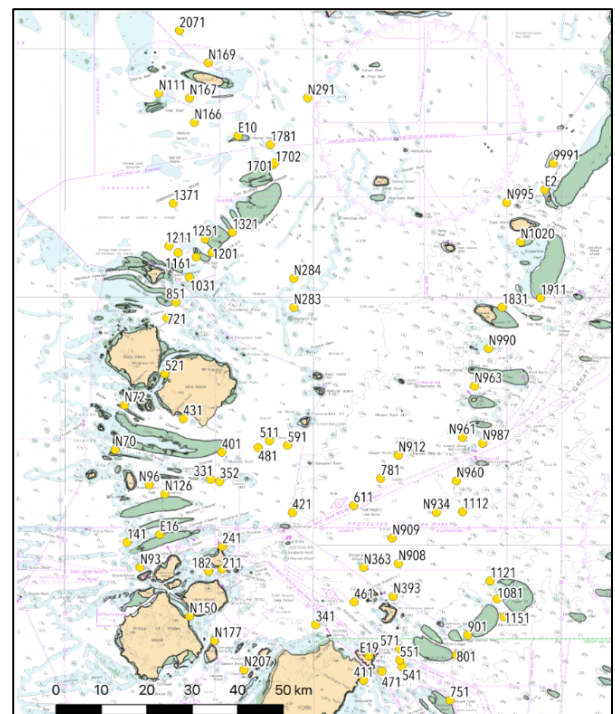
If we anchor up near your community - thank you, please feel free to approach us, so we can say hello and answer any questions about the survey.



Dive tender



Wild Blue



Kinam Salee

Steven Edgar

Nicole Murphy

Leo Dutra

Mark Tonks

Thank you!

**The CSIRO
Kaiar field team:**

