



Roles of the Reefs

Reefs cover less than 1% of ocean floor, but support roughly 25% of all marine life. Reefs provide feeding grounds, refuge, nursery, and spawning to a vast variety of ocean organisms.



Natural Barriers

Coral reefs play a vital role in acting as natural barriers for life in both land and sea. Reefs help minimize wave impact from hurricanes, typhoons, and cyclones. Reefs act as natural barriers to protect coastlines from the dangers of the ocean and vice versa.



Medical Benefits

Often referred to as the rainforests of the ocean, coral reefs are pivotal in the research for treating the world's most dangerous diseases and illnesses.

What You Should Know



About Coral Reef Depletion



What Is Damaging our Reefs?

- Climate Change
- Pollution
- Mass Fishing and the Fishing Industry



The Mesoamerican Barrier Reef along Central America is currently dying, with bleaching reports starting in 2017

The Great Barrier Reef in Australia was declared dead in 2016 at 25 million years old



What We Can Do

- Reduce Carbon Footprint to Stabilize Temperatures
- Recycle and Avoid Littering
- Reduce Fish Consumption
- Be Mindful When Visiting These Sensitive Ecosystems