

Yellowtail Damselfish (juv.), S-M, 5,

So, Rf. Microspathodon chrysurus

French Grunt, M, 4 &5, Sh, Rf. Haemulon flavolineatum

Porcupinefish, M-L, 3-4, So, Rf.

Diodon hystrix



Shoal of juvenile French Grunt, S, 4, Sh,Rf

Rock Hind, M, 4, So, Rf.

Epinephelus adscensionis







Morph of Branching Tube Sponge, S-M, 5, Rf. Aiolochroia crassa



White Encrusting Zoanthid, as a colony L-VL, 5, Rf. Palythoa caribaeorum



White morph. Ircinia strobilina

?Brown Sponge?, S-M, 4-5, Rf.

?Neopetrosia subtriangularis

Pitted Sponge, M, 4-5, Rf. Verongula rigida



?Christmas Tree Hydroid, VS-S, 3-5, Rf. Halocordyle disticha



Corkscrew Anemone, S, 4-5, Rf. Bartholomea annulata



? Spiny Sea Fan/Rod, M-L, 5, Rf. Muricea sp.



Sea Whip, M, 5, Rf. Pterogorgia anceps



Orangespotted Filefish, M, 4, So, Rf. Cantherhines pullus



Goldline Blenny, S, 4 & 5, So, Rf. Malacoctenus aurolineatus



Longspine Squirrelfish, S-M, 5, So, Rf. Holocentrus rufus.





?Juv. Redband Parrotfish, S, 5, So, Rf.

Longfin Damselfish?, S, 5, So, Rf. Stegastes diencaeus



Sa. Dasytis americana 8 ? Houndtish, M-L, 5, So and Sh, Ow. Tylosurus crocodilus 🙁

Sand Diver, S-M, 5, So, Rf & Sa. Synodus intermedius



Brown Chromis, S, 3-5, Sh, Rf. Chromis multilineata





Blade Fire Coral, S-L, 4-5, Rf. Millepora complanata 🙁



Swollen-Knob Candelabrum, M, 3-5, Rf. Eunicea mammosa





Common Sea Fan, M-L, 5, Rf. Gorgonia ventalina











Elkhorn Coral, L-VL, 4-5, Rf.

Acropora palmata



Symmetrical Brain Coral, L, 5, Rf. Diplora strigosa



Finger Coral, M-L, 5, Rf.

Porites porites

Low Relief Lettuce Coral, S, 5, Rf. Agaricia humilis



Bearded Fireworm, S, 3-5, Rf. Hermodice carunculata 😕

Long-Spined Urchin, S-M, 4-5, Rf.

Common Octopus, M, 3-5, Rf.

Octopus vulgaris.

Diadema antillarum. 🙁





Sabellastarte magnifica



Rock-Boring (Echinometra lucuter) & Slate-Pencil urchin (Eucidaris tribuloides), S, 5, Rf.



Caribbean Reef Squid, S-M, 3-4, Ow. Sepioteuthis sepioidea.



Massive Starlet Coral, M-L, 5, Rf. Siderastrea siderea

Mustard Hill Coral, S-M, 4-5, Rf. Porites astreoides, with Christmas Tree Worms



Split-Crown Feather Duster, VS, 3-5, Rf. Anamobaea orstedii

West Indian Sea Egg, S, 3-5, Rf.

Tripneustes ventricosus.

Flamingo tongue, S, 5, Rf.

Cyphoma gibbosum.

This guide is intended to let you know about a few of the many marine species you can see in the waters off Galley Bay.

The species have been grouped into different types, with an indication of where you can best see them.



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> particular Pay attention to safe entry and exit points at all times. When a swell exists the western end of the beach (1) is not recommended. The eastern end of the beach (2), is the most interesting with the easiest access.

Most of these images were collected while snorkelling at Galley Bay in 2015. All common names are in bold while *Latin* are in italic. An indication of size is given: **L** = Large, **M** = Medium, **S** = Small and **V** = Very. \bigotimes = Don't touch!, \bigotimes = keep your distance. **1, 2, 3, etc.** indicates where you are most likely to see them. Fish species are classified as being solitary or found in pairs (So) or shoaling (Sh). Habitat type are identified as; found near/on the reef (Rf), in open water (Ow) on, or over, sand (Sa). ? = identification uncertain.

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Blue Tang, M, 5, Sh, Rf. Acanthurus coerleus





Doctorfish, M, 5, Sh, Rf. Acanthurus chirurgus.



Banded Butterflyfish, S-M, 5, So, Rf.

Chaetodon striatus.











Surgeonfish and Doctorfish, Area 5.