



# **SCUBA LUV MAUI DIVE REPORT**

## **KEAWAKAPU, MAUI**

### **“CRITTER OF THE WEEK”**

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## **APRIL IS “CORAL MONTH” !!!**



**ANTLER CORAL**— Considered to be a “branching coral” ; thrives in “high energy environments”, where few other corals survive. Look for Hawaiian Damselfish living in and around antler coral...also crabs, shrimp and juvenile reef fish. This is Hawaii’s most impressive stony coral, reaching heights of 36” and widths 48” across. Colonies are often isolated and far apart and can be found in depths of 5 to 130 feet. Ordinarily a brownish grey color at depth but can be found green, blue and even lavender in shallow areas. Synchronized spawning occurs within a few hours after sunrise 1-3 days following the April and May full moons, often reducing visibility to a few feet...

**DATE OF REPORT: APRIL 7, 2012**  
**AIR TEMPERATURE: 83 degrees**  
**WATER TEMPERATURE: 74 degrees**  
**VIZIBILITY: 100’ +**  
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