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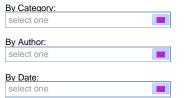
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My first encounter was with a single, very aggressive sergeant major damselfish that was guarant that were laid inside the hollow reef balls. The eggs take about five to seven days to incubat must stay right on top of the egg mass to ensure that they aren't eaten by any other hungry c shrimp or any of the many species of wrasse.

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I also observed parrotfish, surgeonfish and blue tangs eating away at the algae that had start the reef balls I noticed a schoolmaster hiding in the shade. I also saw several juvenile yellow gorgeous looking, dark blue little fish with iridescent light-blue freckles and yellow tails. I I them before.



I cannot wait to return to the reef in a year to see how much more progress has been made in this habitat.

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