

State or Country: Ecuador

Field No. ET(B)-H-54

County:

Map:

Locality: Galápagos Is; Chatham Is.; Wreck Bay

Lat.

N., Long.

W.

Water:

Clear

Vegetation: Sparse - a few Sargassum-like plants.

Bottom: Volcanic rock & sand.

Cover:

Temp.: H₂O = 17.5 - 18.0°C

Shore: Sand & volcanic rock

Current:

Dist. offshore: 5 - 200 yds.

Stream width:

Depth of capture: 6 - 35'

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Collected by: A. Ebeling, R. Gulkey, D. Porter & ship's crew "Horizon"

Tide:

Date: 25 Nov. 1955

Method of capture: Spear, hook & line

Orig. preserv.: 10% Formalin

Time: 0900 - 1600 C.S.T.

Caught large fishes (shog head, surgeonfish, orange puffer, blennioid etc.) from ship in deep water. Spurred the others (Pomacentrid, Labrid, Haemulid, Acanthurid, spiny puffers, groupers, trigger) near shore amongst rocks. Spurred one group? non-mutant of *Cinella* but lost in way in. Saw bright red-colored parrot fishes and many small Chaetodonts (unfortunately unable to spare the smaller specimens) while we were shore diving inshore. Also bright orange pomacentrid-like fishes with bump on forehead. Several morays were observed amongst the rocks - one rather bizarre creature, white with black markings. Most common fish - small pomacentrid living in holes and passage ways in the rocks. Pectorals and dorsal peduncle yellow. Quite a few sergeant-major swimming just over rocky large schools of the big *Acanthurus* spotted. Collection preserved in 3-5 gal beer cans.

One *banquillo* (ocean white fish) caught from ship but was cut up for bait before I could get too it. Quite a few groupers & spotted surgeonfish (*Epiplatys*?) caught, but only a couple of each saved. Several assorted fishes into bait cans for aquarium.

A. W. Ebeling, 25 Nov.

Over for spp. list

Ident. by R. Rosenblatt Jan, 1956. In UCLA Collections - W53-313

32. Holocanthus passer Valenciennes 1(176)
34. Chilomycterus affinis Gunther 3(230-275)
35. Dermatolepis punctata Gill 1(300)
34. Diodon holocanthus Linn. 1(220)
35. Epinephelus labriformis (Jenyns) 3(307-330)
Paranthias colonus (Valenciennes) 4(216-237)
44. Orthopristis forbesi Jordan and Starks 3(310-322)
48. Abudefduf saxatilis (Linn.) 1(133)
Microspathodon bardii (Gill) 3(208-232)
Pomacentrus leucurus Gilbert 2(99-105)
50. Bodianus diplotaenioides (Gill) 2(230-360)
Halichoeres nicholsi (Jordan and Gilbert) 1(270)
Pimelometopon darwini (Jenyns) 1(370) plus 1Ad(478)
* Died in Scripps Aquarium, preserved in SIO coll. 7/2/56
61. Labrisomus dendriticus 1(99)
Ophioblennius steindachneri Jordan and Evermann
1(152)

A. W. Shelton
23 May 1957