

Testing the waters at Monkey Mia



CALM Ranger Lindsay Brown has been testing the quality of sea water at Monkey Mia to make sure that increasing numbers of people and the new resort developments do not affect the dolphins that regularly visit the shores.

Samples from four beach locations and six sea water sites were taken and tested for bacteria, nutrient and algae problems. Some of the samples were frozen and flown to Perth for further testing.

The two-week intensive study of the local water was conducted as part of a regular monitoring program, and, so far, no problems have been found.

Left: CALM Ranger Lindsay Brown with the water monitoring equipment used at Monkey Mia.

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