



## **NGERCHONG OUTSIDE & INSIDE**

## **Dive Site:**

- Ngerchong outside wall is a steep drop-off
- It gets shallow and wide at the entrance to Denges Channel, also known as Ngerchong Channel
- Shaped like a horseshoe and with a sandy bottom, Ngerchong inside curves toward Denges channel & is protected by the outer reef wall

## **Marine Life:**

- Wall is covered with a variety of soft and hard corals
- Look for Gray Reef Sharks, Black Tips, White Tips & sometimes Leopard sharks
- September-November Ngerchong Outside is a nursery for baby Gray Reef Sharks. Look for large schools of juvenile sharks around 10 inches long at around 60 feet, accompanied by an adult female
- Cleaning stations can be found along the face of the reef wall around 60 feet
- At Ngerchong inside Cuttlefish can be seen year round as it is a breeding and hatching ground. The female will lay dozens of 2-inch long 'grapes-shaped' white eggs among branching hard corals. She will hover around her nest until the eggs hatch. To locate the cuttlefish swim along the edge of the reef where it meets the sandy bottom, stay 3-6 feet off the bottom. Cuttlefish are masters of disguise
- Shrimp, Crab, Nudibranchs, Feather worms, Garden eels and many shells, Turtles and occasionally Mantas or Sting rays