

Arnavon Community Marine Park — Three Communities' 30-Year Co-Management Doubles Hawksbill Nesting

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Quality score: 40/100

Evidence strength: Moderate

Summary

Since 1995, the Kia, Katupika and Wagina communities have co-managed the Arnavon Islands, the South Pacific's largest hawksbill rookery. A 22-year dataset shows nightly nest counts nearly tripling; in 2017 it became Solomon Islands' first national marine park.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Carbon — sequestration / storage, evidenced	0/3
Biodiversity — conservation / improvement, evidenced	3/3
Water & soil — retention, infiltration, erosion control	0/3
Fire resilience — risk reduction, evidenced	0/3
Governance, certification & transferability	3/3

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-09-06

[Kia, Katupika & Wagina communities; The Nature Conservancy; Solomon Islands Government](#) — accessed 2026-09-06

[PLOS One 2015 — Arnavon hawksbill rookery recovery](#) — accessed 2026-09-06

[Equator Initiative case study — Arnavon Community Marine Conservation Area](#) — accessed 2026-09-06

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