

## Corals

Coral reefs are fragile and vital ecosystems in the Ocean. Read about our coral reef rescue and transplantation project and our collaboration with the World Wildlife Fund.

## **Coral Reef Rescue and Transplantation Project**

In July 1997, Underwater World Singapore spearheaded and funded a coral transplantation project. With endorsement of the National Parks Board, we garnered the support of the Singapore Nature Society, the National University of Singapore and the Singapore Reef & Marine Conservation Committee. This was the first time that a commercial organization was working hand in hand with a government body, an academic institution and non-profit organizations in salvaging corals. Every weekend, for about two months, Underwater World Singapore divers and volunteers collected corals and ferried them to the transplant site. Researchers from the National University of Singapore studied the success of the transplant.

## **Collaboration with World Wildlife Fund**

Together with the World Wildlife Fund (WWF), Underwater World Singapore launched a coral display on 11 July 2004 to educate visitors about the threats to the coral reefs of South East Asia and the importance of marine parks as a means of protecting reefs.

