



## GLOSSARY OF TOBIAN WORDS

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- Arm** The narrow, rough stream of water sometimes extending downstream from either side of an island
- Bub** Southern Cross; also generic name for triggerfish
- Bucho** Triggerfish, *Balistapus undulatus*
- Bwerre** Certain species of groupers (serranids); also refers to a multihook dropline fishing technique
- Chariferigut** Cleaner wrasse, *Labroides dimidiatus*
- Chera** Generic name for remoras
- Cherouchouko** Certain species of jacks (carangids)
- Doriyout** Sonsorolese name for *suriyout*
- Echarivus** Lemon shark, *Negaprion acutidens*
- Fahum** A type of Tobian fishhook
- Farupon Pisahe He Pulo** Blue-banded angelfish, *Pygoplites diacanthus*
- Faumer** Tripletail, *Lobotes surinamensis*
- Fen** A baited hoop net
- Fichifichino'o** A type of Tobian fishhook
- Fong** The inturned tip on certain Tobian fishhooks
- Fotomahech** A type of Tobian fishhook
- Fotorimar** Sea perch, *Anthias huchti*
- Hafira** A species of snapper
- Hao** Parrotfish, *Cetoscarus pulchellus* and *Chlorurus stronglycephalus*

- Hapi Sereh** A type of Tobian fishhook  
**Hapitsetse** The area of very rough water where two currents converge downstream of an island  
**Hari** Generic term for bright-colored groupers  
**Hari-Merong** Blue-spotted grouper, *Cephalopholis cyanostigma*  
**Hasetiho** The near-island current patterns associated with a stable eddy pair  
**Hatih** Generic name for dull-colored snappers  
**Haufong** A type of Tobian fishhook  
**Haugus** A species of grouper  
**Hob** Angelfish, *Centropyge bicolor*  
**Horach** Convict surgeonfish, *Acanthurus triostegus*; also the name of a tree  
**Machuyar** A species of parrotfish (scarid)  
**Mahi** Generic name for needlefish  
**Mam** Bumphead wrasse, *Cheilinus undulatus*  
**Man Tanante** A type of Tobian fishhook  
**Martacham** A species of squirrelfish  
**Marusetih** Master fisherman  
**Masuh** A species of parrotfish (scarid)  
**Matirai** Bumphead parrotfish, *Bolbometopon muricatus*  
**Mecheri** A species of wrasse  
**Merangu** A species of unicornfish, *Naso* sp.  
**Merifuts** A species of barracuda, *Sphyaena* sp.  
**Metch** A type of Tobian fishhook  
**Moghu** Surgeonfish, *Acanthurus glaucopareius*  
**Moharechoh** Sailfish, *Istiophorus platypterus*  
**Mor** Generic name for squirrelfish  
**Neihahi** The "peaceful" season of gentle winds and calm water, from February through September  
**Ngungpaha** Imperial angelfish, *Pomacanthus imperator*  
**Ngusngus** A species of squirrelfish  
**Niyafang** The season of rough water, from October through January  
**Paho** Generic name for sharks  
**Paip** Generic name for butterflyfish (chaetodontids)  
**Pingao** Sailfin tang, *Zebrasoma veliferum*  
**Ramaributs** A type of Tobian fishhook  
**Ramasu** A type of Tobian fishhook  
**Ramatiho** A type of Tobian fishhook  
**Rau** Harlequin sweetlips, *Plectorhynchus chaetodontoides*  
**Reebai** Either of two species of small-mouthed wrasse  
**Reyu** Generic name for stonefish and other scorpaenids  
**Richoh** Generic name for damselfish (pomacentrids) and small snappers (lutjanids)  
**Richopah** A species of damselfish (pomacentrid)  
**Riper Yecho** Coconut meat; also those species of damselfish (pomacentrids) that are caught using coconut meat for bait

- Riwesiri Yapetase** Small dolphinfish, *Coryphaena hippurus* (Sonsorolese)  
**Ruhuruho** Old generic name for triggerfish  
**Sabacho** Nurse shark, *Ginglymostoma ferrugineum*  
**Sangi** A type of Tobian fishhook  
**So'owo** Goatfish  
**Suchowa** A barracuda, *Sphyræna* sp.  
**Suheriong** A type of Tobian fishhook  
**Suriyout** Area of calm water upstream of an island  
**Tanganangan** A small species of wrasse  
**Tauchacha** Marlin  
**Tavitel** Generic name for boxfish  
**Temaubour** Probably a spiny-cheeked perch (grammistid)  
**Teribour** A sweetlips (pomadasiid)  
**Teter** A jack (carangid)  
**Urech** False moorish idol, *Heniochus acuminatus*  
**Uremar** Certain sweetlips (pomadasyids) with black markings  
**Usurifarema** A type of frogfish  
**Wasori** Moorish idol, *Zanclus cornutus*  
**Watur** A deep-dwelling emperor  
**Yar** Wahoo, *Acanthocybium solandri*  
**Yassur** Medium-sized dogtooth tuna, *Gymnosarda unicolor*  
**Yawariyet** Type of Tobian fishhook  
**Yetam** Pilot fish, *Naucrates ductor*