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CRITTER OF THE WEEK!

TREMBLING NUDIBRANCH—Nudibranchs are marine slugs. All lose their shells as adults; all are carnivores feeding on fixed organisms such as sponges, hydroids and corals; a few are hunters and feed on other nudibranchs; have been compared to eagles and hawks because they sit at the top of their food chain and have few natural enemies; all are foul tasting, toxic or venomous, their color serving as a warning to predators. The “Trembling Nudibranch” is so named because his bright purple gills constantly tremble and vibrate. Found in depths of 8-80’, growing to 2 1/2 “, we found this guy cruising across the sand today. What a treat to watch !

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AIR TEMPERATURE: 83 degrees
WATER TEMPERATURE: 77 degrees
VIZIBILITY: 60-80' +

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