## **Supporting Information**

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**Fig. S1.** Effects of sound treatment on total abundance of recruiting reef fish. (*A* and *B*) Percentage abundance of total fish collected from (*A*) light traps (n = 26) and (*B*) patch reefs (n = 18) associated with playback of predegradation reef sound, postdegradation reef sound, or ambient sound. Shown are results for each replicate (gray lines), overall mean  $\pm$  SE (colored boxes), and the 33% ratio that would be predicted with no preference (red dashed lines). Mixed-effects models based on raw count data revealed significant differences in both experiments (Tables S1 and S2); different letters above boxplots represent significant differences in post hoc Tukey's HSD tests based on these models. (*C* and *D*) Percentage abundance of fish associated with predegradation, postdegradation, and ambient soundscape playback, split into trophic guilds with at least 50% frequency of occurrence. Graphs are constructed identically to *A* and *B*, with total abundance of each trophic guild as a percentage of the experiment's total catch, and number of experimental replicates analyzed (*n*), given on the *x* axis. The 33% ratio that would be predicted with no preference is shown by a red dashed line. For details of trophic guild casifications, see Dataset S1.



**Fig. S2.** Effects of sound treatment at different taxonomic levels. Mean  $\pm$  SE percentage abundance of fish associated with predegradation, postdegradation, and ambient soundscape playbacks, split into taxonomic groups with at least 50% frequency of occurrence. Shown are (*A*) families in light traps, (*B*) families on patch reefs, (*C*) genera in light traps, and (*D*) species in light traps, with total abundance as a percentage of the experiment's total catch and number of experimental replicates analyzed (*n*) given on the *x* axis. The 33% ratio that would be predicted with no preference is shown by red dashed lines. All triplicate sets of bars showed significant differences in mixed-effects models based on raw count data; different letters above bars represent significant differences in post hoc Tukey's HSD tests based on these models (see Tables S1 and S2).

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Fig. S3. Map of the study site at Lizard Island, Australia. Locations and layouts of the 10 recording sites (circles), two experimental light-trap sites (triangles), and one experimental patch-reef site (square) are shown. Adapted from ref. 32.

Table S1. Outputs from Linear Mixed Models and Generalized Linear Mixed Models investigating abundance and diversity of presettlement fishes collected in light traps associated with playback of predegradation reef sound, postdegradation reef sound, or ambient sound

Fixed effect (sound treatment)	Effect sizes $\pm$ SE	Post hoc comparison	Tukey's HSD p
	Total abundance (GLMM: γ	$f^2 = 12.283$ , $df = 2$ , $p = 0.002$ )	
Predegradation	0.384 ± 0.131	Predegradation vs. Postdegradation	0.007
Postdegradation	$-0.004 \pm 0.131$	Predegradation vs. Ambient	0.009
Intercept (ambient)	4.807 ± 0.326	Postdegradation vs. Ambient	0.999
Random effects: Date 1.610 $\pm$ 1.2	69; Track ID <0.001 ± <0.00	)1; Site ID 0.003 $\pm$ 0.057; Trap ID in site ID <0	.001 ± <0.001
Or	nnivore abundance (GLMM	$x^{2} = 12.011, df = 2, p = 0.002)$	
Predegradation	0.393 ± 0.131	Predegradation vs. Postdegradation	0.011
Postdegradation	0.019 ± 0.132	Predegradation vs. Ambient	0.007
Intercept (ambient)	4.477 ± 0.256	Postdegradation vs. Ambient	0.988
Random effects: Date 0.938 $\pm$ 0.	969; Track ID <0.001 $\pm$ <0.0	001; Site ID <0.001 $\pm$ 0.031; Trap ID in site ID	<0.001 ± <0.001
He	erbivore abundance (GLMM	$\chi^2 = 10.053, df = 2, p = 0.007$	
Predegradation	0.458 ± 0.163	Predegradation vs. Postdegradation	0.021
Postdegradation	0.037 ± 0.161	Predegradation vs. Ambient	0.014
Intercept (ambient)	2.762 ± 0.621	Postdegradation vs. Ambient	0.972
Random effects: Date 4.866 $\pm$	2.206; Track ID 0.063 $\pm$ 0.25	52; Site ID 0.098 $\pm$ 0.312; Trap ID in site ID <0	0.001 ± <0.001
Ca	arnivore abundance (GLMM	1: $\chi^2 = 6.810$ , $df = 2$ , $p = 0.033$ )	
Predegradation	0.409 ± 0.216	Predegradation vs. Postdegradation	0.037
Postdegradation	$-0.151 \pm 0.237$	Predegradation vs. Ambient	0.139
Intercept (ambient)	0.528 ± 0.309	Postdegradation vs. Ambient	0.801
Random effects: Date 0.991 $\pm$	0.995; Track ID <0.001 $\pm$ <0	0.001; Site ID 0.003 $\pm$ 0.057; Trap ID in site ID	0.019 ± 0.138
Poma	acentridae abundance (GLN	IM: χ <sup>2</sup> = 11.353, df = 2, p = 0.003)	
Predegradation	0.382 ± 0.134	Predegradation vs. Postdegradation	0.011
Postdegradation	$-0.006 \pm 0.134$	Predegradation vs. Ambient	0.012
Intercept (ambient)	4.296 ± 0.412	Postdegradation vs. Ambient	0.999
Random effects Date 2.605 $\pm$ 1	.614; Track ID <0.001 $\pm$ <0.	.001; Site ID 0.030 $\pm$ 0.172; Trap ID in site ID	<0.001 ± 0.018
Арс	ogonidae abundance (GLMN	<i>A</i> : $\chi^2 = 19.121$ , df = 2, p < 0.001)	
Predegradation	0.585 ± 0.142	Predegradation vs. Postdegradation	0.006
Postdegradation	0.158 ± 0.144	Predegradation vs. Ambient	<0.001
Intercept (ambient)	2.643 ± 0.182	Postdegradation vs. Ambient	0.518
Random effects Date 0.196 $\pm$	0.443; Track ID < 0.001 $\pm$ < 0	$0.001$ ; Site ID $0.018 \pm 0.135$ ; Trap ID in site ID	0.010 ± 0.100
Pomac	centrus spp. abundance (GL	MM: $\chi^2 = 12.404$ , $df = 2$ , $p = 0.002$ )	
Predegradation	$0.422 \pm 0.146$	Predegradation vs. Postdegradation	0.019
Postdegradation	$0.166 \pm 0.146$	Predegradation vs. Ambient	0.003
Intercept (amplent)	$2.782 \pm 0.423$	Postdegradation vs. Ambient	0.928
Random effects: Date 2.238 $\pm$	1.496; Track ID < 0.001 $\pm$ <0	$2.001$ ; Site ID $0.009 \pm 0.096$ ; Trap ID in site ID	$0.014 \pm 0.118$
Prodegradation	O AZE + 0 112	W: $\chi = 28.414$ , $dT = 2$ , $p < 0.001$ ) <b>Product addition</b> vs. <b>Postdogradation</b>	<0.001
Postdogradation	$0.435 \pm 0.113$	Predegradation vs. Ambient	< 0.001
Postdegradation	$-0.155 \pm 0.112$	Predegradation vs. Ambient	< 0.001
Random offects: Date 1.688 +	$2.550 \pm 0.550$	Fostule gradation vs. Amblent 27: Site ID $<0.001 \pm <0.001$ : Trap ID in site ID	0.352 0.021 $\pm$ 0.146
	1.233, Hack ID 0.107 $\pm$ 0.33	$MM: x^2 = 12.582 df = 2 p = 0.002$	$0.021 \pm 0.140$
Predegradation	$0.946 \pm 0.304$	Predegradation vs. Postdegradation	0.016
Postdegradation	$0.144 \pm 0.331$	Predegradation vs. Ambient	0.005
Intercept (ambient)	$-0.340 \pm 0.695$	Postdegradation vs. Ambient	0.901
Random effects Date 1,135 +	1.066: Track ID $1.101 + 1.09$	53: Site ID $< 0.001 + < 0.001$ : Trap ID in site ID	$0.104 \pm 0.322$
P. c	hrvsurus abundance (GLMN	$f_{1}^{2} = 20.622$ , $df = 2$ , $p < 0.001$ )	0.001 ± 0.011
Predegradation	0.729 + 0.163	Predegradation vs. Postdegradation	0.011
Postdegradation	$0.269 \pm 0.154$	Predegradation vs. Ambient	<0.001
Intercept (ambient)	3.147 ± 0.726	Postdegradation vs. Ambient	0.190
Random effects: Date 2.909	± 1.706; Track ID 0.262 ± 0.	512; Site ID 0.207 $\pm$ 0.455; Trap ID in site ID (	0.030 ± 0.172
P. an	nboinensis abundance (GLM	IM: $\chi^2 = 17.021$ , df = 2, p < 0.001)	
Predegradation	0.440 ± 0.107	Predegradation vs. Postdegradation	0.047
Postdegradation	0.178 ± 0.111	Predegradation vs. Ambient	<0.001
Intercept (ambient)	1.895 ± 0.465	Postdegradation vs. Ambient	0.245
Random effects: Date 2.785 $\pm$ <sup>2</sup>	1.669; Track ID 0.006 $\pm$ 0.07	5; Site ID <0.001 $\pm$ <0.001; Trap ID in site ID	0.021 ± <0.144
P.	wardi abundance (GLMM:	$\chi^2 = 21.440, df = 2, p < 0.001)$	
Predegradation	0.730 ± 0.166	Predegradation vs. Postdegradation	0.005
Postdegradation	0.229 ± 0.160	Predegradation vs. Ambient	<0.001
Intercept (ambient)	$2.623 \pm 0.651$	Postdegradation vs. Ambient	0.325
Random effects: Date 4.035 $\pm$ 2	.009; Track ID 0.003 $\pm$ 0.056	5; Site ID <0.001 $\pm$ <0.001; Trap ID in site ID <	<0.001 ± <0.001

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Fixed effect (sound treatment)	Effect sizes $\pm$ SE	Post hoc comparison	Tukey's HSD p
P. lep	idogenys abundance (GLI	MM: $\chi^2 = 38.997$ , df = 2, p < 0.001)	
Predegradation	0.876 ± 0.145	Predegradation vs. Postdegradation	0.049
Postdegradation	0.549 ± 0.144	Predegradation vs. Ambient	<0.001
Intercept (ambient)	0.968 ± 0.487	Postdegradation vs. Ambient	<0.001
Random effects: Date 1.811 $\pm$	1.346; Track ID 0.155 $\pm$ 0	0.394; Site ID 0.010 $\pm$ 0.100; Trap ID in site ID	0.049 ± 0.221
Р. с	adelus abundance (GLMN	1: $\chi^2 = 34.590$ , $df = 2$ , $p < 0.001$ )	
Predegradation	1.033 ± 0.182	Predegradation vs. Postdegradation	0.001
Postdegradation	0.399 ± 0.192	Predegradation vs. Ambient	<0.001
Intercept (ambient)	0.765 ± 0.851	Postdegradation vs. Ambient	0.100
Random effects: Date 3.583 $\pm$	1.893; Track ID 0.373 $\pm$ 0	).611; Site ID 0.592 $\pm$ 0.763; Trap ID in site ID	0.230 ± 0.480
P. nag	gasakiensis abundance (G	LMM: $\chi^2 = 6.712$ , $df = 2$ , $p = 0.035$ )	
Predegradation	0.607 ± 0.246	Predegradation vs. Postdegradation	0.146
Postdegradation	0.162 ± 0.234	Predegradation vs. Ambient	0.036
Intercept (ambient)	0.590 ± 0.722	Postdegradation vs. Ambient	0.759
Random effects: Date 4.726 $\pm$	2.174; Track ID 0.091 ± 0	0.302; Site ID 0.140 $\pm$ 0.374; Trap ID in site ID	0.090 ± 0.301
Exponential S	hannon–Weiner diversity	index (LMM: $\chi^2 = 1.245$ , df = 2, p = 0.537)	
Predegradation	$0.026 \pm 0.058$	Post hoc tests not applied, as	
Postdegradation	$0.065 \pm 0.058$	there was no significant effect	
Intercept (ambient)	0.511 ± 0.087	of sound treatment	
Random effects: Date 0.095 $\pm$ 0.30	8; Track ID < 0.001 $\pm$ < 0.0	001; Site ID <0.001 $\pm$ <0.001; Trap ID in site II	0.001 ± 0.033

Effect sizes are relative to the ambient-sound treatment (intercept); variance  $\pm$  SD is provided for random terms. Significant (P < 0.05) models and post hoc comparisons are displayed in bold.

Table S2. Outputs from Linear Mixed Models investigating abundance and diversity of fishes settling on patchreefs associated with playback of predegradation reef sound, postdegradation reef sound, or ambient sound

Fixed effect (sound treatment)	Effect size $\pm$ SE	Post hoc comparison	Tukey's HSD p
	Total abundance ( $\chi^2 =$	28.957, df = 2, p < 0.001)	
Predegradation	2.833 ± 0.477	Predegradation vs. Postdegradation	<0.001
Postdegradation	0.167 ± 0.477	Predegradation vs. Ambient	<0.001
Intercept (ambient)	3.722 ± 0.408	Postdegradation vs. Ambient	0.935
Random effects: I	Date 0.951 $\pm$ 0.975; Track	ID <0.001 $\pm$ <0.001; Reef ID <0.001 $\pm$ <0.001	
	Omnivore abundance (x	<sup>2</sup> = 8.499, df = 2, p = 0.014)	
Predegradation	1.056 ± 0.468	Predegradation vs. Postdegradation	0.009
Postdegradation	-0.333 ± 0.468	Predegradation vs. Ambient	0.063
Intercept (ambient)	2.556 ± 0371	Postdegradation vs. Ambient	0.757
Random effects: I	Date 0.504 ± 0.710; Track	ID <0.001 ± <0.001; Reef ID <0.001 ± <0.001	
	Herbivore abundance $(\chi^2)$	= 13.854, df = 2, p = 0.001)	
Predegradation	1.333 ± 0.351	Predegradation vs. Postdegradation	0.007
Postdegradation	0.278 ± 0.351	Predegradation vs. Ambient	<0.001
Intercept (ambient)	1.357 ± 0.330	Postdegradation vs. Ambient	0.708
Random effects	: Date <0.001 $\pm$ <0.001; T	rack ID 0.186 $\pm$ 0.431; Reef ID 0.008 $\pm$ 0.088	
Po	omacentridae abundance	$\chi^2 = 7.115, df = 2, p = 0.029$	
Predegradation	1.214 ± 0.493	Predegradation vs. Postdegradation	0.036
Postdegradation	<0.001 ± 0.493	Predegradation vs. Ambient	0.037
Intercept (ambient)	1.500 ± 0.481	Postdegradation vs. Ambient	1.000
Random effects:	Date 1.536 ± 1.239; Track	ID <0.001 $\pm$ <0.001; Reef ID <0.001 $\pm$ <0.001	
	Blenniidae abundance ( $\chi^2$	<sup>2</sup> = 16.922, df = 2, p < 0.001)	
Predegradation	1.204 ± 0.272	Predegradation vs. Postdegradation	0.004
Postdegradation	0.344 ± 0.271	Predegradation vs. Ambient	<0.001
Intercept (ambient)	0.857 ± 0.332	Postdegradation vs. Ambient	0.412
Random effects	: Date <0.001 $\pm$ <0.001; T	rack ID 0.222 $\pm$ 0.471; Reef ID 0.071 $\pm$ 0.266	
	Gobiidae abundance ( $\chi^2$	= 18.078, df = 2, p < 0.001)	
Predegradation	0.938 ± 0.208	Predegradation vs. Postdegradation	<0.001
Postdegradation	0.125 ± 0.208	Predegradation vs. Ambient	<0.001
Intercept (ambient)	0.375 ± 0.158	Postdegradation vs. Ambient	0.819
Random effects:	Date 0.055 $\pm$ 0.234; Track	ID <0.001 $\pm$ <0.001; Reef ID <0.001 $\pm$ <0.001	
Exponentia	al Shannon–Weiner divers	ity index ( $\chi^2 = 4.045$ , df = 2, p = 0.132)	
Predegradation	0.571 ± 0.295	Post hoc tests not applied,	
Postdegradation	0.109 ± 0.295	as there was no significant	
Intercept (ambient)	2.425 ± 0.296	effect of sound treatment	
Random effects: Date $< 0.001 + < 0.001$	001. Track ID 0 102 + 0 3	19 <sup>.</sup> Reef ID 0 058 + 0 240	

Effect sizes are relative to the ambient-sound treatment (intercept); variance  $\pm$  SD is provided for random terms. Significant (P < 0.05) models and post hoc comparisons are displayed in bold.

## **Other Supporting Information Files**

Dataset S1 (PDF)

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