Sos Pelagos Sanctuary



Play the SOS PELAGOS SANCTUARY escape game online and help Sebastian in his work as a researcher!

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The Pelagos Sanctuary





What is it?

The Pelagos Sanctuary is an area of the Mediterranean Sea where France, Italy and Monaco have decided **TOGETHER** to take action to protect marine mammals and their habitats.

Where is it located?

The Sanctuary is a stretch of sea that includes the north coast of Sardinia, France from the Giens Peninsula to the eastern border, all of Liguria and the west coast of Tuscany up to Fosso Chiarone.

> BIOLOGY **CUVIER** DOLPHIN **FISH** FRANCE ITALY MONACO

I am mysef plus my environment and if I don't preserve the latter, I do not preserve myself.

José Ortega y Gasset

Let's Play! Find the words

In the grid, circle all the words in the list. Attention! They can also be written diagonally, from right to left or from bottom to top.

CETACEANS

KNOWLEDGE MEDITERRANEAN

PELAGOS PILOT POLLUTION RESEARCH SANCTUARY SEA SEAL TRAFFIC TURTLE WHALE

The Marine Mammals of the Pelagos Sanctuary

CUVIER'S BEACKED WHALE 6/7M - DIVING CHAMPION, IT **REACHES A DEPTH OF 3,000M**

MINKE WHALE **20M - THE SECOND LARGEST**

ANIMAL ON THE PLANET (AFTER THE BLUE WHALE)

COMMON DOLPHIN 2/2.5M - ITS FAVOURITE **FOOD IS ANCHOVIES** AND SARDINES

BOTTLENOSE DOLPHIN 3M - IT'S THE MOST COMMONLY KNOWN DOLPHIN

RISSO'S DOLPHIN 3/3.5M - COVERED IN SCARS, THE OLDER IT GETS, THE WHITER IT BECOMES

PILOT WHALE 5/7M - OFTEN SEEN IN AN UPRIGHT POSITION WITH ITS HEAD OUT OF THE WATER

STRIPED DOLPHIN 2M - THE MOST **ABUNDANT DOLPHIN IN** THE SANCTUARY

MONK SEAL THE ONLY PINNIPED IN THE MEDITERRANEAN **SEA. IT IS CONSIDERED ONE OF THE 100 MOST ENDANGERED MARINE** MAMMALS IN THE WORLD

SPERM WHALE 12/18m - IT REACHES THE **ABYSSES TO CATCH SQUIDS** WHICH ARE IT'S FAVOURITE FOOD

So many threats!

The marine mammals of the Pelagos Sanctuary are subject to numerous threats caused directly or indirectly by man.



COLLISIONS

Marine traffic

represents a high risk of collision, especially for large cetaceans

TRAWL NETS They can trap dolphins, whales, seals, but also turtles and other

animals



NOISE POLLUTION

Noise from fast boats

and jet skis cause stress and panic in animals

Photo: Vincent Jacques

PLASTIC

Much of the disposable plastic ends up in the oceans, posing a danger to the entire food chain.

CHEMICAL POLLUTION

Release of toxic substances from ships or land cause physical harm and disease in marine fauna

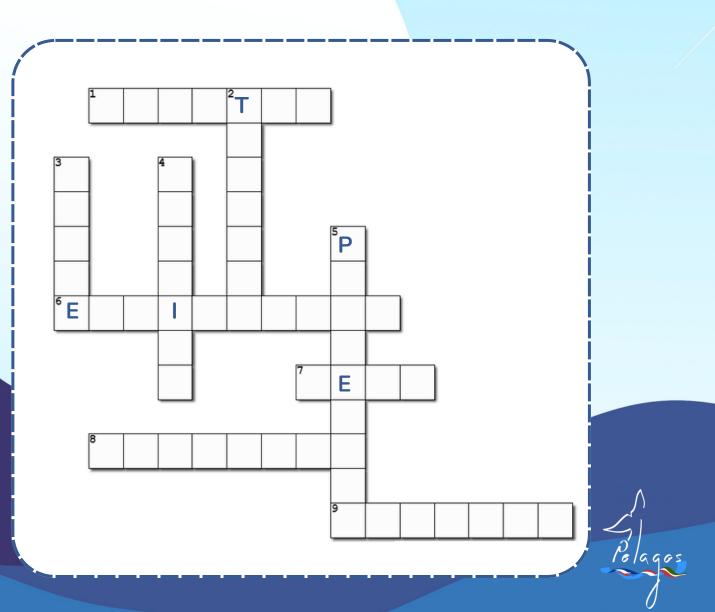
Let's Play! Crosswords

Complete the pattern with the help of the clues below. ACROSS

- 1. Material used for many disposable item
- 6. A species whose survival is endangered is said to be at risk of... 7. Dolphins some times end up in fishing ones. 9. Sometimes it's uncivilly thrown into the sea
- 8. A type of pollution from toxic substances

DOWN

- 2. It is chaotic in big cities: as on roads, it exists also the sea
- 3. The louder it is, the more it disturbs animals
- 4. The whales' one is banned in the Mediterranean Sea
- 5. Part of ships that often cause injuries to cetaceans



Pelagos Agreement Activities

Thanks to the Pelagos Agreement, which has been actively working since 2002, the year it came into force, to coordinate the efforts of France, Italy and Monaco, signatories to the agreement, much has been done to protect marine mammals and their habitats from the pressures of human activities.

Here are some of our key words.

Research

Awareness-I Knowledge

CAN YOU HELP ME ECOLOCATE MY **FAVOURITE FOOD?**

Cooperation with

municipalities

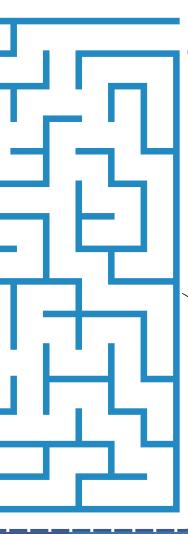
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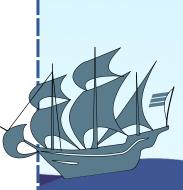
Dialog with Sea users

Let's Play! The sperm whale maze

New Jaws







Thank you from the bottom of our heart

We at the Pelagos Agreement are very grateful that you downloaded this booklet! We hope you enjoyed it and were able to learn something about the Pelagos Sanctuary and its wonderful inhabitants.

> Our job is to create synergies and strategies between many people (government authorities, researchers, volunteers and sea users, etc) to safeguard the future of the marine mammals in the Sanctuary.

If you too share a passion for marine mammals, we would love to keep in touch with you!

It would be great to receive a letter with your thoughts, a drawing, or a paper boat customised to your imagination.

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