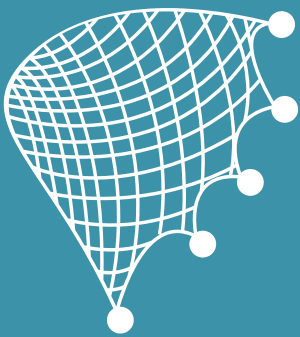




A SERIOUS PROBLEM FOR SEA TURTLES IN THE BALEARIC ISLANDS



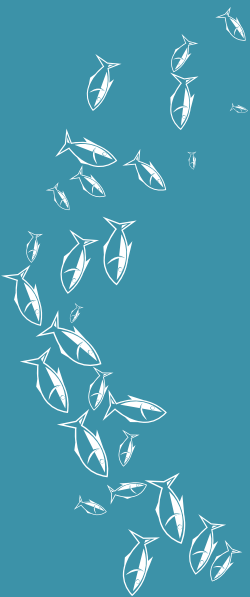
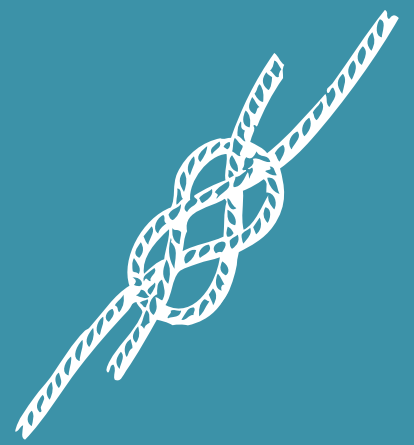
GHOST NETS

DO YOU KNOW WHAT THEY ARE?

Ghost fishing is the term used to describe fishing gear that has been lost or discarded at sea, generally associated with non-regulated illegal fishing

GHOST FADS

In the case of the Balearic Islands, the vast majority of sea turtles become entangled in highly rudimentary GHOST FADS (fish aggregating devices) consisting of plastic bottles tied with rope or nets.



ADRIFT

These artefacts tend to drift for long periods of time and are a source of food for turtles as they contain a high concentration of fish. The turtles' interaction with this artifact is potentially extremely dangerous when they become entangled.

CONSEQUENCY

As a result, the sea turtles can suffer minor injuries or, in the most severe cases, the amputation of one of their flippers.



If you spot a sea turtle with a missing limb in our facilities, you're in luck!

You're looking at a true survivor!