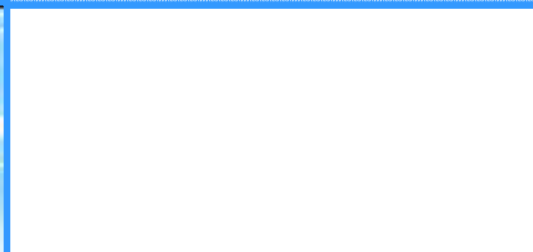


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An aerial photograph of a coastal area. The top half shows a white sandy beach and dense green trees. The bottom half shows a rocky coastline with large, light-colored boulders in the turquoise water. A white rectangular box is overlaid on the top half, containing the word 'INTRODUCTION' in blue capital letters.

INTRODUCTION

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Definition

Pesca tourism is the name given to taking passengers on board a fishing vessel in order to present the fishing trade and the marine environment

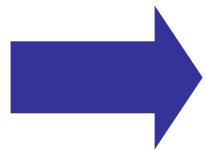


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Regulations

The Decree of the 23 November 1987 on Ship Safety, supplemented by the Decree of the 24 November 2008 (Divisions 226 and 227 of the appended Regulations)

Minutes of the Regional Safety Commission
no.269/19: Pesca tourism of the 12 May 2011



Life rafts, number of passengers, seats, stability, sanitation/habitability, Official Prevention Document, passenger/crew members, operations, radio, medical supplies, etc.

The Haute Corse Direction Départementale des Territoires et de la Mer: draft of the "staffing decisions for 'pesca tourism'" which includes various terms relating to the safety of ships, passengers, and, depending on weather conditions (wind strength and direction), the sites to be used.



1) Corsica fleet characteristics

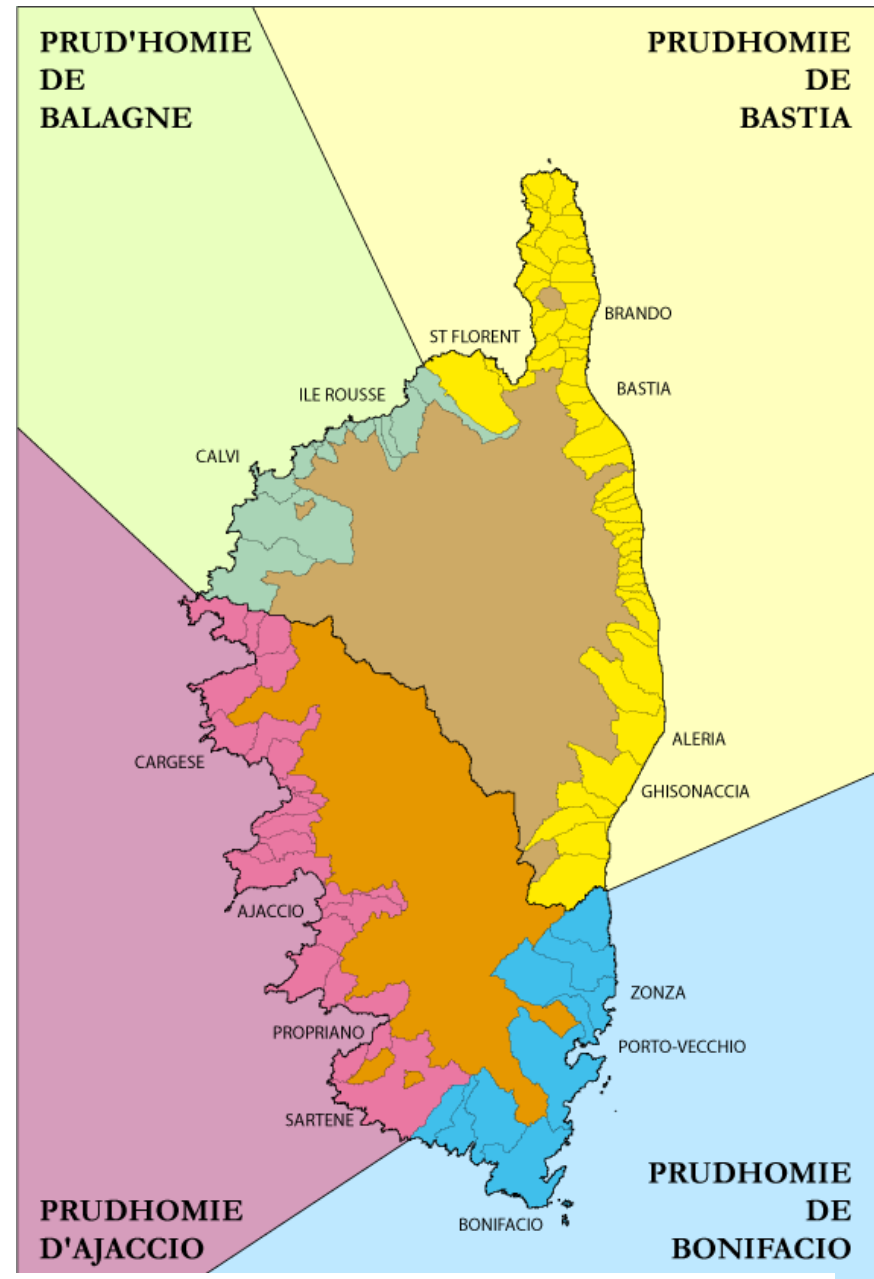
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The island:
4 prud'homies

Comité Régional des Pêches maritimes et des Elevages Marins de Corse

*(Regional Committee for Maritime
Fisheries and Marine Aquaculture)*

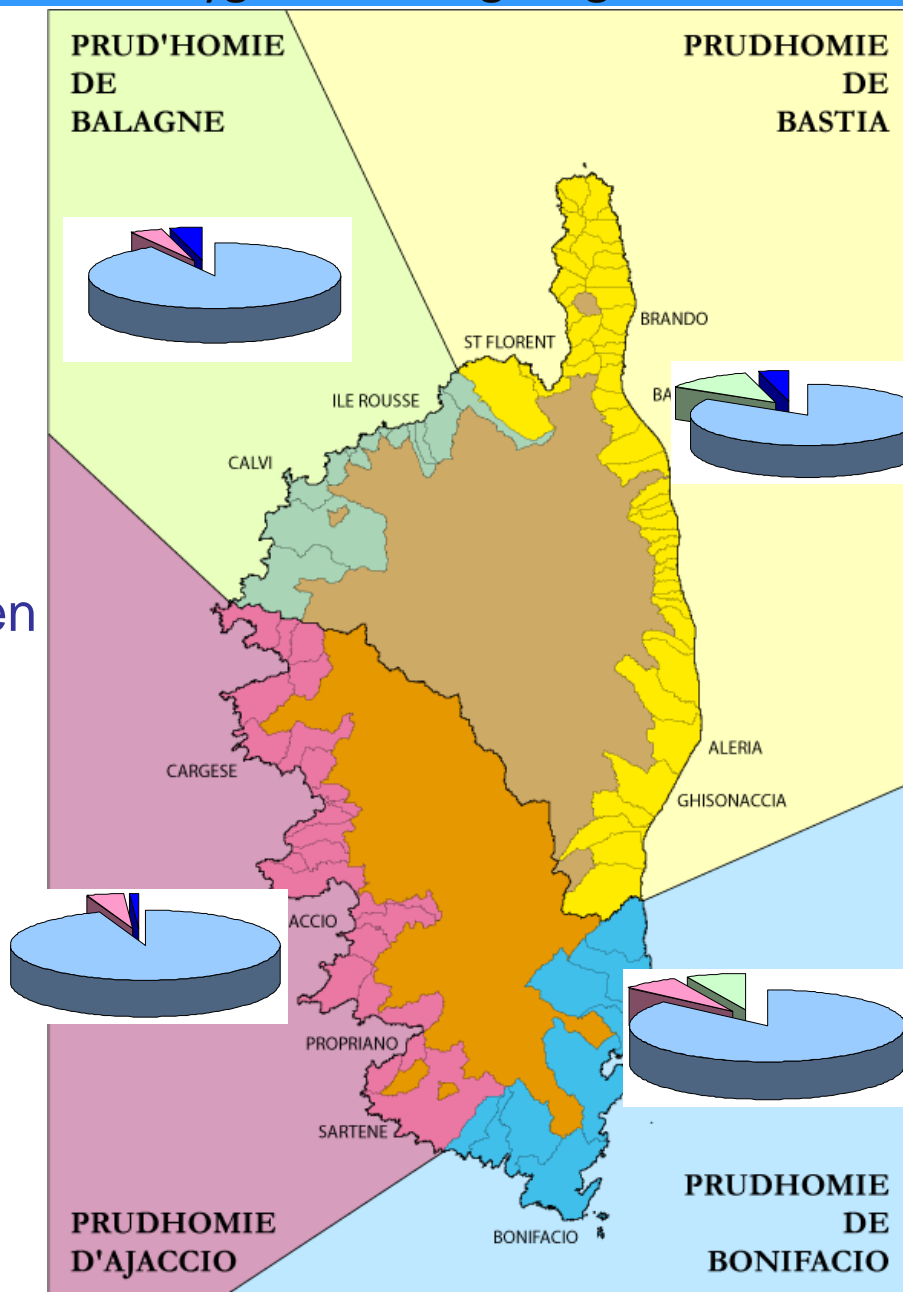
Law 91-411 of the 2nd May 1991



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213 units for 4 activities:

-  Small-scale Coastal Fishermen **188 Permits**
-  Small-scale Deep sea Fishermen **6 Permits**
-  Coral fishers **10 crews**
-  Trawlers **9 Permits**



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Corsica has a non-industrial fleet

The fleet's average boat size is 10 m

1 043 km of coastline for the whole of the island's coast,



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On a 0 to 3 nautical mile coastal strip

These excursions are for the day or half-day

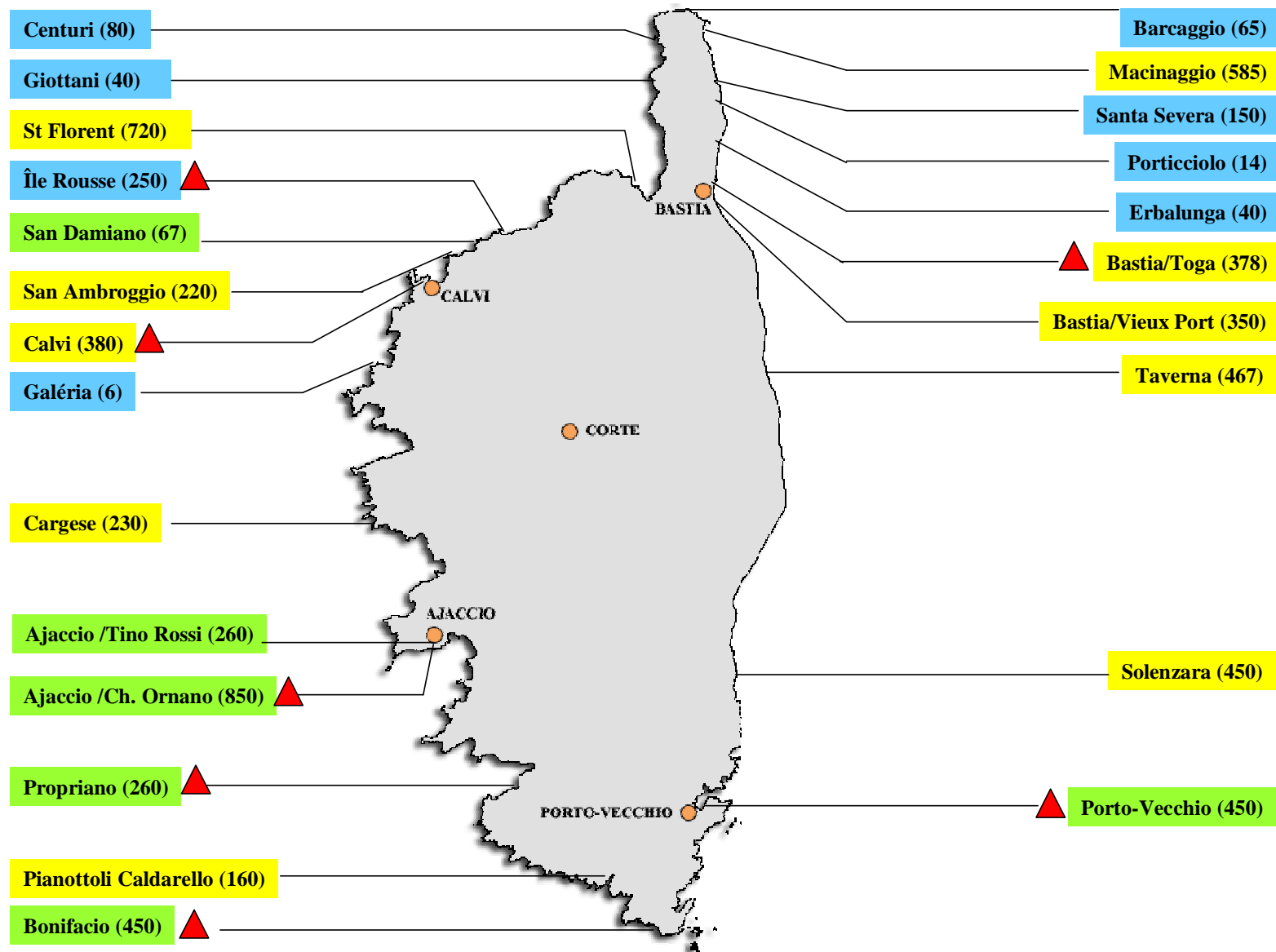
Sustainable and selective activity
(cages, long lines, etc...)

The average age of fishermen is about 50



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24
ports



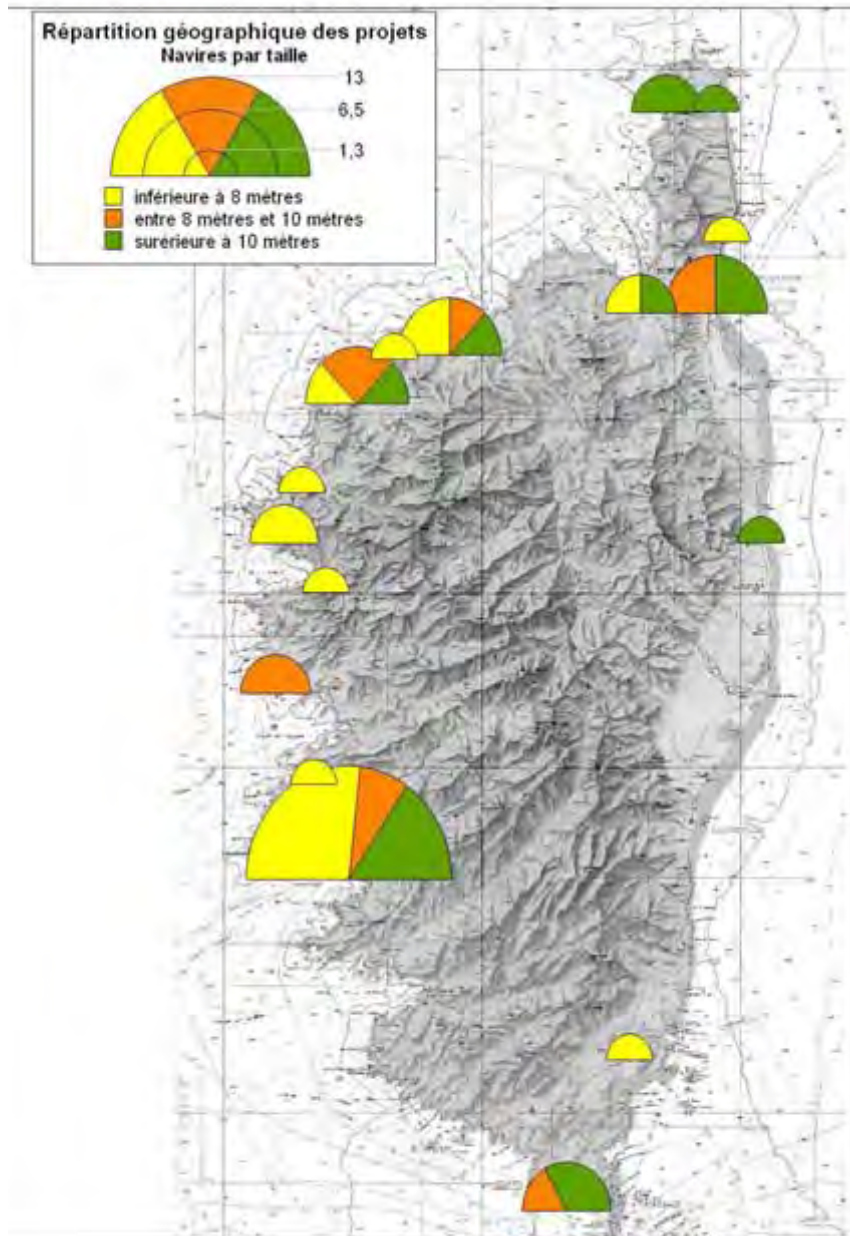
Fishing port
 Marina
 Fishing port and Marina
 Commercial port

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An aerial photograph of a coastal area in Corsica. The image shows a rugged coastline with large, light-colored rocks protruding from the turquoise sea. The land is covered in dense, green vegetation. In the upper left, a small white sandy beach is visible. The text '2) Pescatourism context in Corsica' is overlaid in a large, bold, blue font on a white rectangular background.

2) Pescatourism context in Corsica

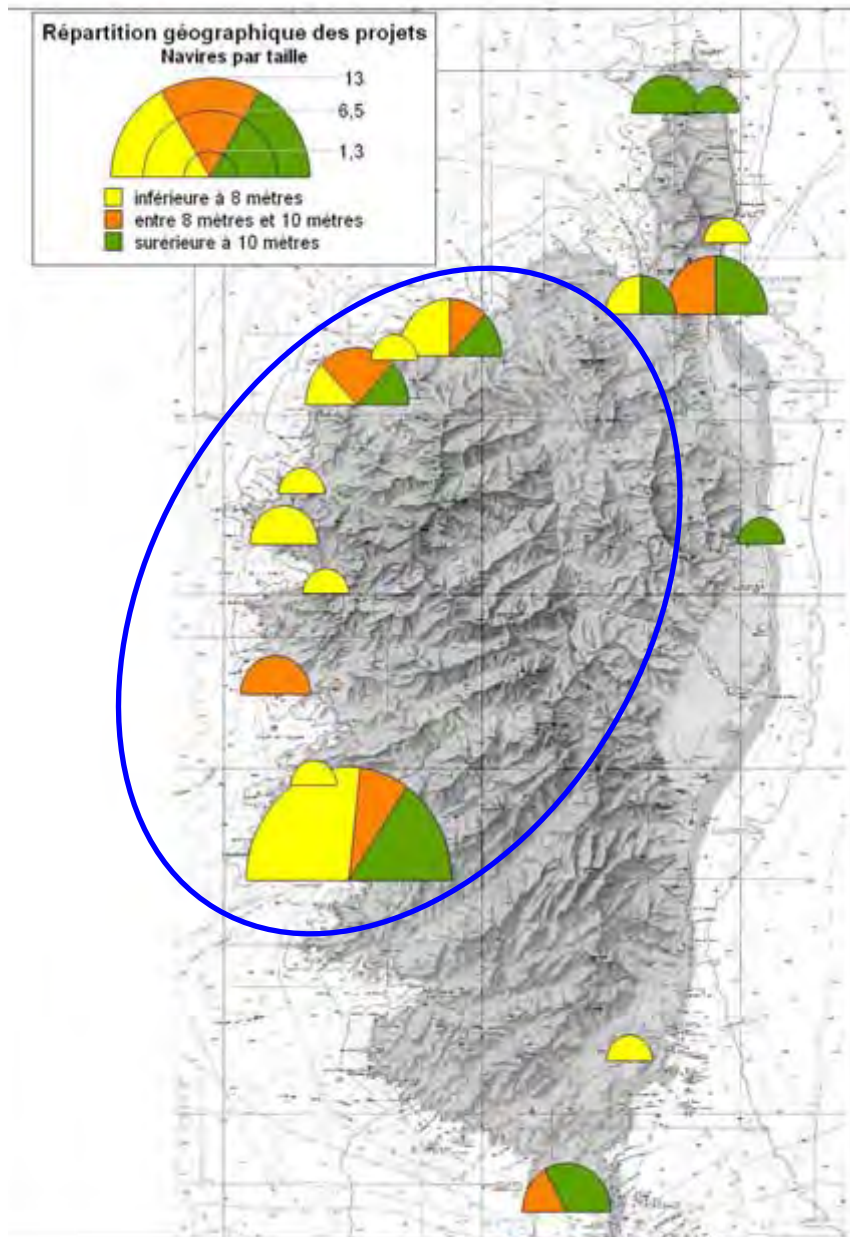
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The whole fleet was
approached by the
Corsica CRPMEM

48 fishermen agreed
to test the product

which corresponds to
23% of businesses

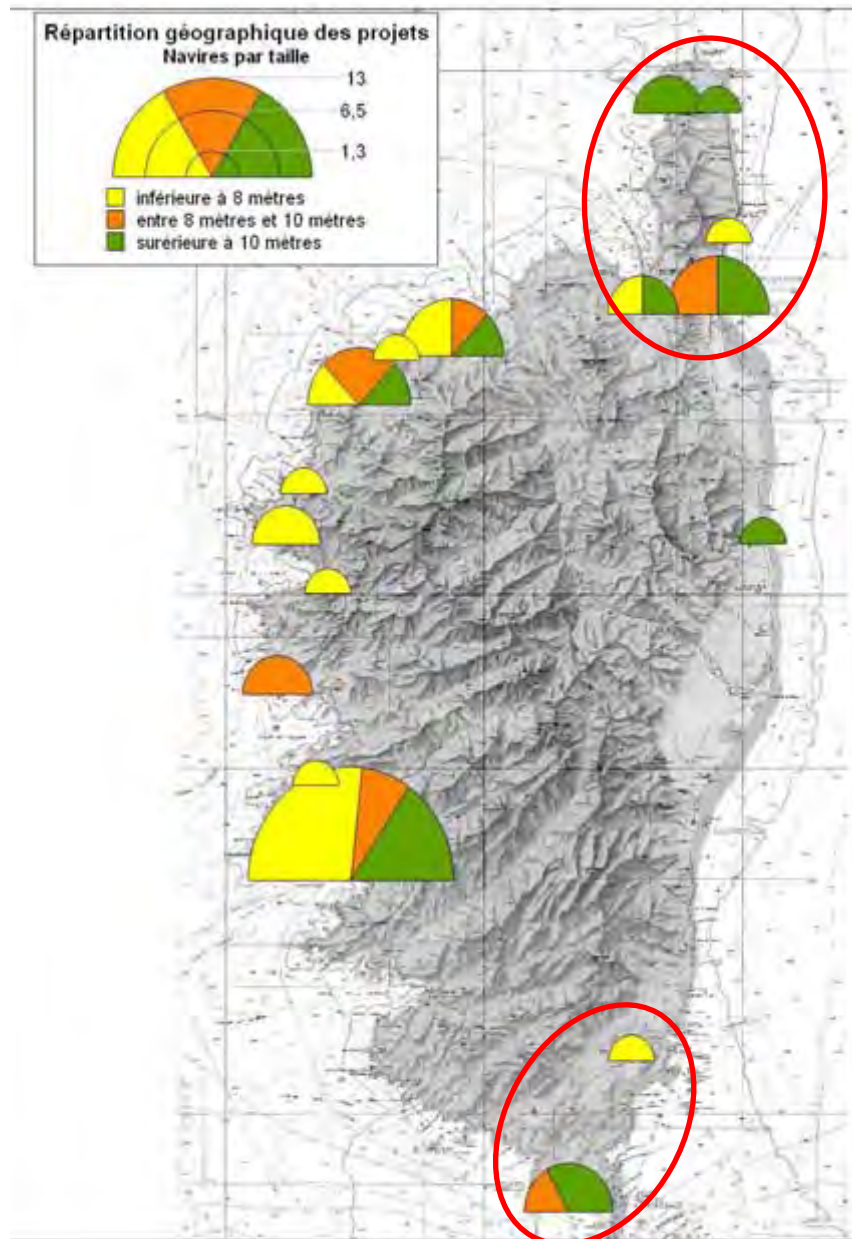


Mainly on the western side with small units

Favourable tourism context and exceptional natural setting



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Cap Corse and the southern tip larger units

Favourable tourism context and exceptional natural setting



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About 3 millions of tourists every year



Bastia port : 1st in Mediterranean
2nd in France
with 2.53 millions of passengers

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Implement a new concept « *Chemin de Grande Navigation* »

Link with Corsica
Agency Tourism in
Odyssea project
framework

www.odyssea.eu

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Each area will provide special deliveries

Very important historic and cultural heritage

Fisherman becomes ambassador

Increase monitoring



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3) LESTRYGON pilot project

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Construction of a catamaran fishing boat, the Pesca 1100, in 2010



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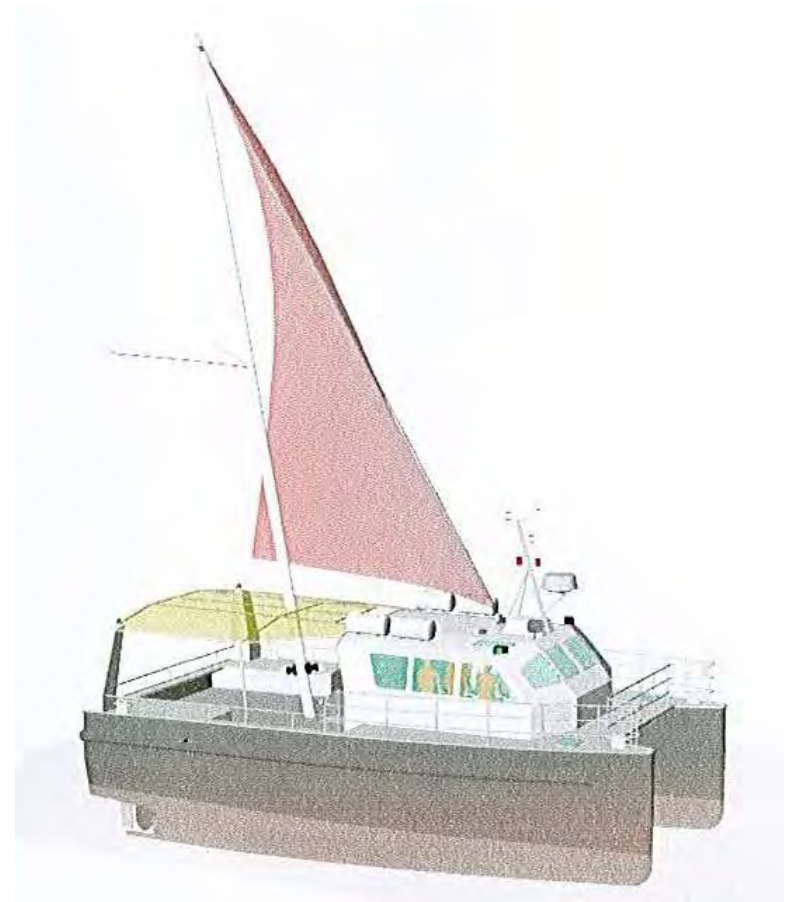
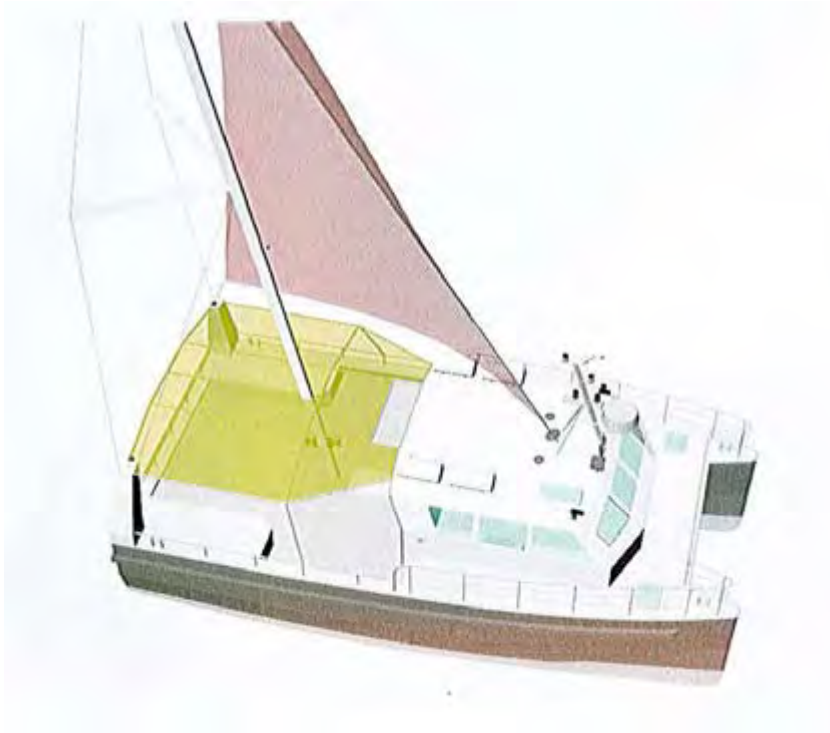
11 metre long catamaran in aluminium designed for fishing (nets and long-lines)

Can carry 12 passengers (secure area, seats, toilets, etc.)



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Sails can be used for propulsion



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Half day excursions

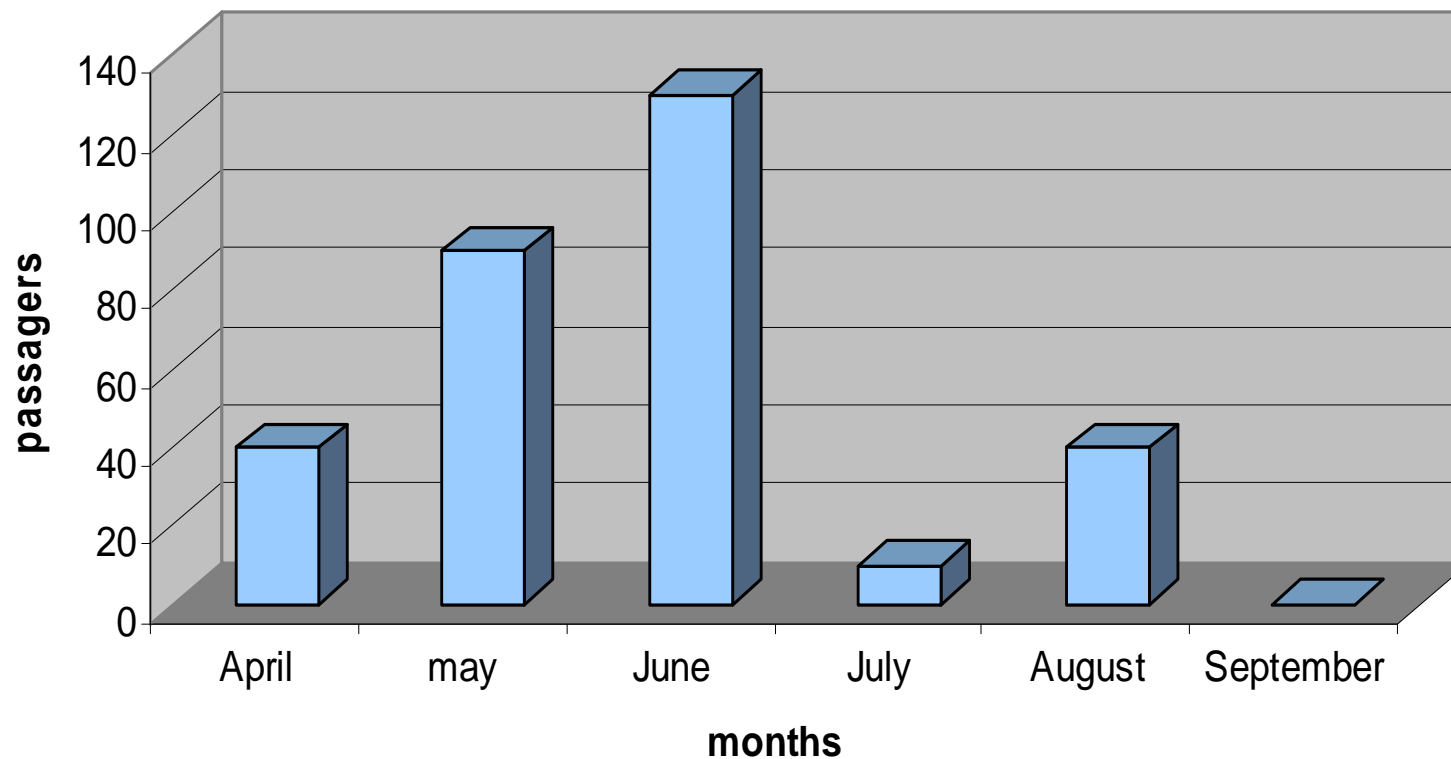
From 7am to 12pm = 40 €/pers.

In the Bouches de Bonifacio
Nature Reserve



Active since the 9th of August 2010

2011 Activity



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A lot of refusal to maintain
fishing activity > pesca tourism activity

Very popular

Very little advertising:
mainly word of mouth
and Bonifacio tourist
office



PESCA TOURISM

5 hours work

40 Litres of diesel

600 m net mesh size 9

4 cages

1 long-line

4 kgs of noble fish

530 €

FISHING

12 hours work

110 Litres of diesel

X 8 on average

25 kgs of noble fish

620 €

An aerial photograph of a coastal area. The foreground shows a rocky shoreline with large, light-colored boulders in the turquoise water. The background is a dense forest of green trees and shrubs. A white rectangular box is overlaid on the image, containing the title text.

4) An example fishing lodge

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An example of a fishing lodge

... De la mer à l'assiette ...

(From sea to plate)

In Haute Corse: St-Florent

Familial Lodge since 2009

Adjacent to the fishmonger



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Fisherman



Fishmonger



Lodge



5) Priority action for the Axis 4 of the European Fisheries Fund

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"Develop multiple activities towards the tourism sector to create links with other tourism operators and communities"

PESCA TOURISM will be the flagship action for this

- ➡ Encourage initiatives and support project sponsors
- ➡ Contribute to defining a regulatory framework
- ➡ Implement a collective promotion of the product

Expected results:

- ➡ Diversify activities to sustain companies
- ➡ Reduce fishing pressure
- ➡ Share practices and their cultural significance
- ➡ Improve tourism offer

Thanks for your attention



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