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NEPTUNE blue paths

PUNTA DEL FARO



**Attention
FRAGILE**



**SPAMI
species**



Diving



**Permit
required**



Natural



**Highly
frequented**

Geographical location

Italia, Liguria, Genova, Portofino

Name of conservation area (or protected area)

Area Marina Protetta Portofino

Degree of environmental protection

Zona B

Diving site name

Punta del Faro

Geographical coordinates (reference system)

LAT **44°17'52.83"N**

LONG **9°13'08.53"E**

Reference system **WGS 84**



LOCATION



Type of access to the diving site by boat

Site characteristics

Maximum depth

35 m

Difficulty

Medium



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Information from the managing organisation

Estimated number of dives carried out on the site per year
1878 (estimates for the year 2020)



INFORMATION



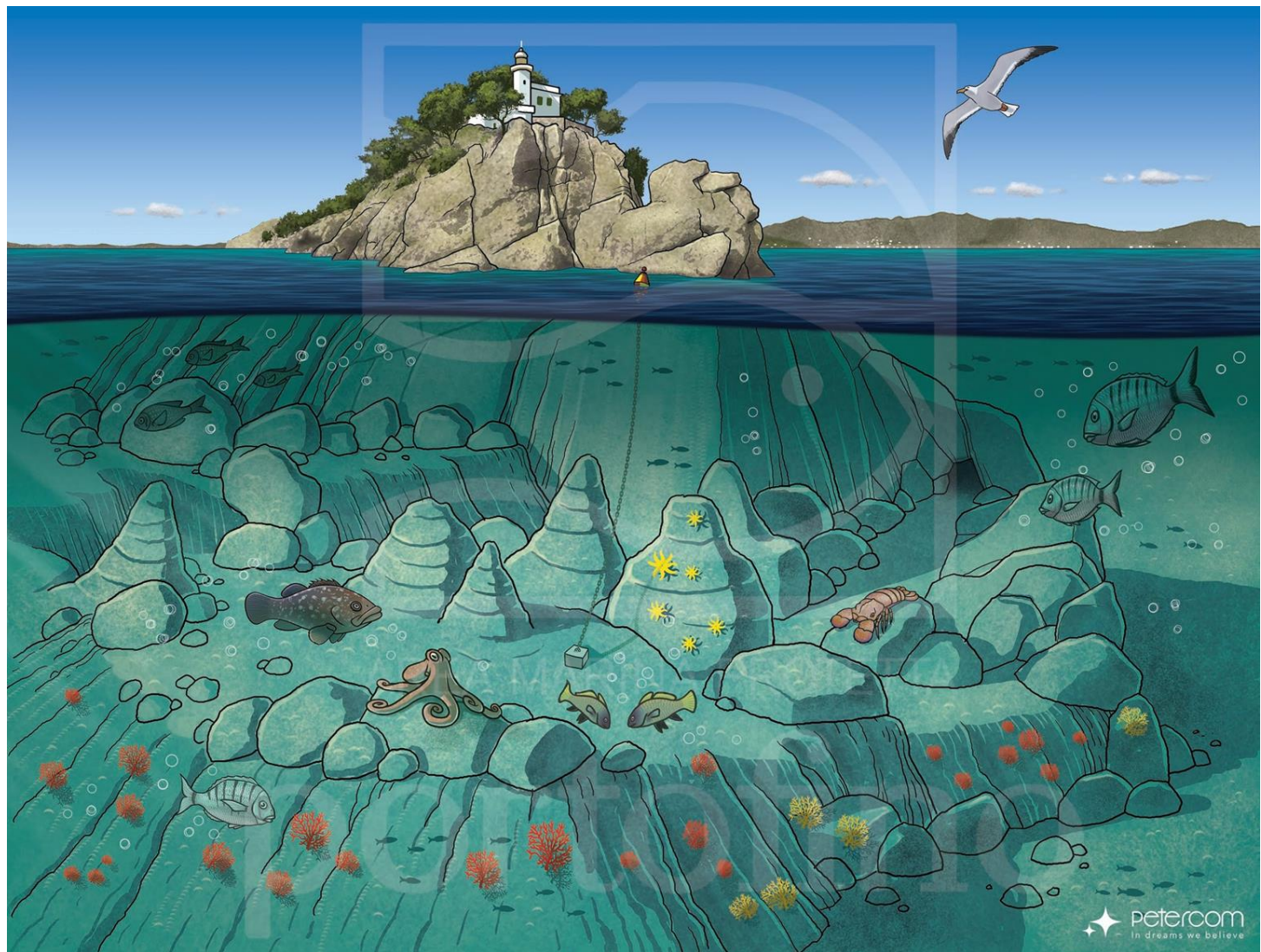
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PATH MAP



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Description of the site of natural interest

Descending along the catenary to an altitude of 18/20 m, we head east, circling around two large boulders located at a depth of 24 m. This is where the presence of large resident dusky groupers (*Epinephelus marginatus*) is common. Crossing a large landslide, heading west, there are numerous caves and ravines rich in red coral (*Corallium rubrum*) and sunset cup coral (*Leptosammia pruvoti*). Afterwards, the route continues for a long stretch where you will frequently encounter schools of seabream (*Diplodus sp.*), brown meagre (*Sciaena umbra*), groupers and mediterranean moray. As you go up in altitude, you will find yourself on a rock plateau between 12 and 18 metres. Continuing eastwards, you reach the tip where you will see a rock with a spectacular flowering of yellow cluster anemone (*Parazoanthus axinellae*) and fish of all species.



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Main species list

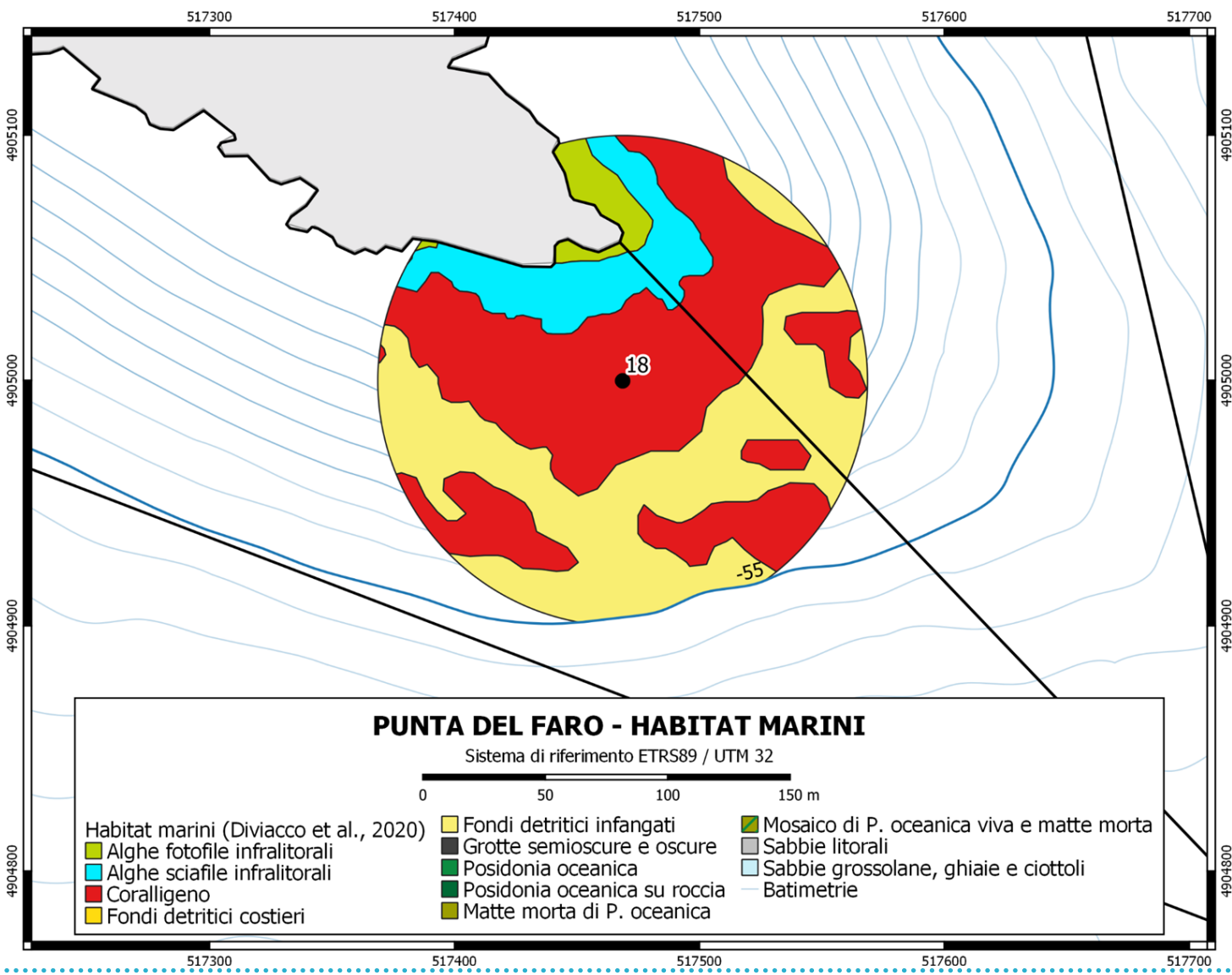
- *Corallium rubrum*
- *Leptosammia pruvoti*
- *Parazoanthus axinellae*
- *Diplodus sp.*
- *Epinephelus marginatus*
- *Sciaena umbra*



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Area of main habitats (within a 100m radius of the site)

- Coralligenous 13'974 mq
- Muddy debris seabed 10'764 mq
- Sciaphilous algae 3'238 mq
- Photophilic algae 948 mq



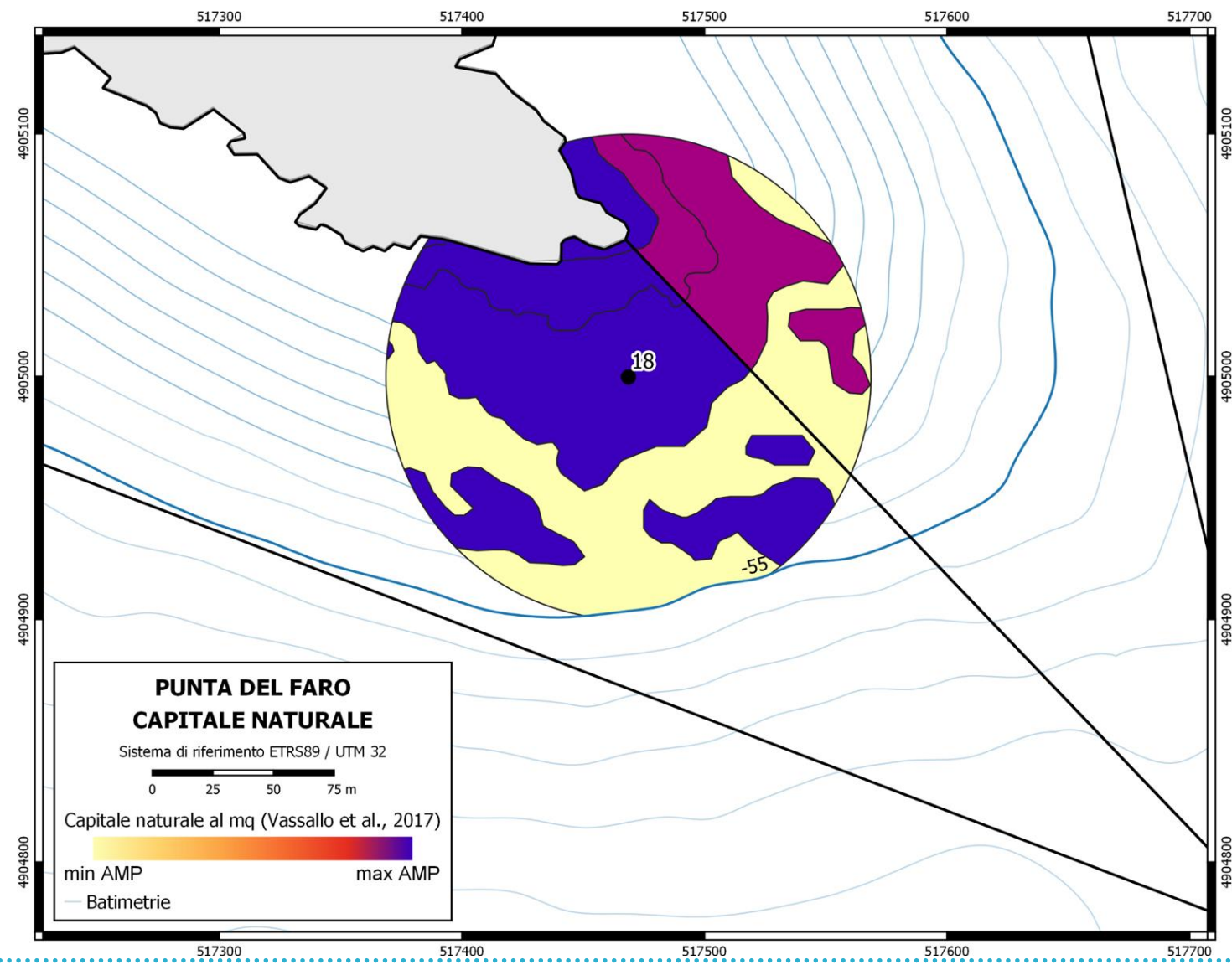
Habitat map (GIS)



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Habitats with natural capital greater than the average value found in MPAs (within 100m of the site)

- Coralligenous
- Photophilic algae
- Sciaphilous algae



Natural capital map (GIS)



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Environmental heritage photos

Portofino MPA archive photo
(G. Giampaola)



Portofino MPA archive photo
(G. Motta)



Portofino MPA archive photo

Portofino MPA archive photo
(A. Carbone)

