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DIVING SITES CAPO FIGARI



The submerged cliffs reveal a multitude of species and colours allowing you to perform over 30 different dives, around the headland. The presence of many shallow caves is important and peculiar, as they offer environments rich in organisms typical of the dark. In the deep, coralligenous environments offer the most colourful scenerie.

THE CANYON



We are on the south-east wall of Capofigari. We start softly by diving a few metres deep, then we slowly enter a small canyon that will bring us down approximately for 30 metres. Here we shall find a very particular scene: mushroom shaped coral formations raise in the middle of an expanse of white sand in a blue sea-side setting...wonderful! This is the perfect habitat for lobsters, moray eels, Phycis phycis and nudibrancs. At 36 metres deep down we can also find some anchors of the Byzantine epoch, one of those is in a perfect state of preservation.

SA MAMA CHIATTA



This beautiful dive in the sea of Capo Figari gets its name from the stretch of coast that the Golfo Aranci fishermen calls "Sa Mama Chiatta", which means "the fat lady". This nickname is due to the particular shape of a rock that brings to mind an elderly female profile. This dive is one of the most beautiful in this area and offers the chance to admire a marvellous sea until -30 metres of depth. And it's at this depth that you can see the most impressive sight, a vault rich in yellow cluster anemones and lobsters that shows you the way. From this point onward there is a series of gorges, tunnels and narrow spots. A spectacle of lights, colours and absolutely amazing nature, surrounded by sea ravens, groupers and morays.

IL PORTONE



This is one of Capo Figari's most varied, fun and colourful dives. Suitable for all levels of experience. Il Portone gives the chance to see an enchanting sea bed. The first part of the dive is at a depth of only 8 metres, before descending along a landslide. At a depth of -18 metres there's one of the most beautiful

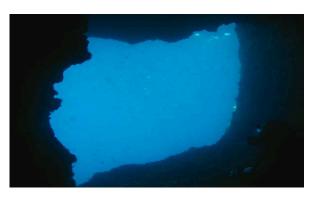
surprises, "La Dromia", a big room whose interior is surprisingly rich in colours, thanks to small and big cracks on the rock that allow the light to play with water. Parazoantos and Dromia Personata (sponge crabs) are indiscreet spectators of your dive, that goes on until the break in the Portone, a beautiful cave that slowly narrows and which is always full of lobsters and cylinder anemones.

MAMUTHONE



The name Mamuthone comes from the crack in the cliff in front of the moorings. In fact the shape of the rock reminds the famous mask of the Mamoiada's carnival. You can anchor at a short distance from the cliff, and then dive just along the wall reaching the depth of -20 metres. In front of you, you'll find a subsidence of big blocks, that made room for a rich underwater life. Wrasses, saupes, twobanded breams and mullets are your companions along the descent. The dive is amazing at all depths! Big rocks from -15 metres to -30 metres are the frame of a huge break that is wedged inside the mountain for 30 metres. This is the undisputed world of groupers, morays, lobsters and rocklings. While ascending, you can decide to visit the Grotta del Mamuthone (The Cave of the Mamuthone): a small and enchanting cavity, rich in yellow sea fans and encrusting fauna.

GROTTA DEL SATANA



A frightful name for a peaceful and relaxing dive. This is probably the easiest dive you can do in the sea of Capo Figari and Tavolara, but it doesn't mean that it is not interesting. On the contrary, La Grotta di Satana

gives the chance to see unique sceneries at low depths, with varied and impressive seascapes. The dive begins from a plateau at -5 metres depth and then you start to descend along a landslide rich in conger eels and morays. At -18 metres you find big rocks, with many cracks and gorges, where it is easy to see groupers and octopuses. Ascending until -8 metres depth, you can enter a beautiful and large cave, always generous of sea meetings.

THALASSA WRECK



This is the wreck of a small flat-bottomed barge, sunk in 1985. The boat rests on a sandy sea bed at -45 metres and it is broken into two stumps. The main difficulty of this dive is due to the high depths, but the most experienced divers will know immediately how worthy it was. The underwater seascape is rich in many invertebrates, alcionaria, lobsters, sea scorpions, goldfishes, big picarels, cod fishes, colourful sea slugs and conger eels.

CALA CORSI - THE CRIB



A beautiful dive, embellished by an odd surprise. Cala Corsi gets its name from the large colony of Corsican sea-gulls, always present in front of the moorings. Going down just a few metres underwater, you coast the western wall of Figarolo.

Groupers, morays, brown meagres, angler fishes and sea slugs are with you for the entire dive, together with wonderful shoals of big picarels and sea breams, which attract fishes like amberjacks and tunas. On your return you'll find a surprise: there's a bizarre

submerged crib, placed close behind the currents to wish good luck to divers and fishermen.

all around it, is varied, colourful and rich of every kind of flora and fauna.

GROTTE BOLLA E SIFONE



After you've anchored close to the limestone cliff of Capo Figari, keep the wall on the right and start the descent. At around – 20 metres you find the first cave: The Bubble. Making sure not to raise any sand, you can observe beautiful species of shellfish, like the Stenophus Spinosus, the Galathea Strigosa and the Herbstia Condylatia. Slowly start to ascend inside the cave towards an air bubble, that gives its name to the cave. After having admired the amazing stalactites, take a look at all the shrimps, lobsters and slipper lobsters and then you can leave the cave satisfied. Now you can move towards the second cave: The Siphon. Don't be scared by its name, it's only due to its "S" shape. That's why its entrance is quite narrow. Once inside you can slowly lean on the sea bed of white pebbles, to admire all the shellfish and shadefish. You can now ascend and finish this unforgettable dive.

LA VOLTA



The amazing dive of La Volta is an experience that can't be compared to anything else. A spectacular sight, rich in colours and lights and shades, that every diving lover, from the more to the less experienced, has to see at least once in their lives. The dive will be made along the wall of the Promontory of Capo Figari. Descending for 20 metres you reach a large indentation: La Volta. The seascape in its interior and