

Sanganeb Atoll and Dugonab Bay National Marine Park; two marine Parks in the Red Sea of Sudan managed by an African private organisation.

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The Red Sea and Gulf of Aden contain some of the worlds most diverse and varied tropical marine habitats and communities. The combination of broad diversity, great bio-geographic complexity, and high levels of endemism make the region of global importance for marine biodiversity conservation.

Sanganeb Atoll and Dugonab Bay National Parks lie on the western shore of the north-central Red Sea. The total area these parks cover is around 3000 km². The Parks contains an enormous diversity of habitats, many still in very good condition, and a diversity of species including populations of several globally threatened or endangered flagship species.

A number of ecological and socio-economic characteristics of the area mean that the Sanganeb and Dugonab MPAs are of national, regional and international importance for biodiversity conservation, reef resilience studies, interconnectivity, and for sustainable use of living marine resources.

Both Parks are being managed by African Parks Network in partnership with the Sudanese Wildlife Administration. The African Parks Network is an African solution to Africa's conservation challenges. African Parks Network emphasis on the stimulation of responsible tourism and associated private enterprise as a mechanism for achieving financial sustainability of the parks as well as providing a foundation for sustainable economic development and poverty reduction.