

Participatory Mapping: What is a GeoPDF?

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What did we make?

- An interactive map atlas that covers Seychelles' EEZ
- A platform for collaboration
- Different from a static map- it allows everyone to contribute spatial data
- It allows everyone to see the many types of activities and determine, which do we focus on?

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Why did we make it?

- To make these maps accessible to non-GIS users
- To provide a base of reference for consistent planning across user groups

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 Good timing, new technical tools make products user friendly, more accessible to a wider audience



GeoPDF's enable you to:

- Provide input everyone is a co-author of "the map"
- Identify areas of interest or concern
- Visualize information gathered from all participants



Why are we using them?

- Activities on the landscape are dynamic, a paper map can be outdated quickly
- Wanted to develop a product that is quick to update, a "living map document"
- User feedback based on the map is already in the form of spatial data ("Geomarks")
- A product for people with no access to GIS

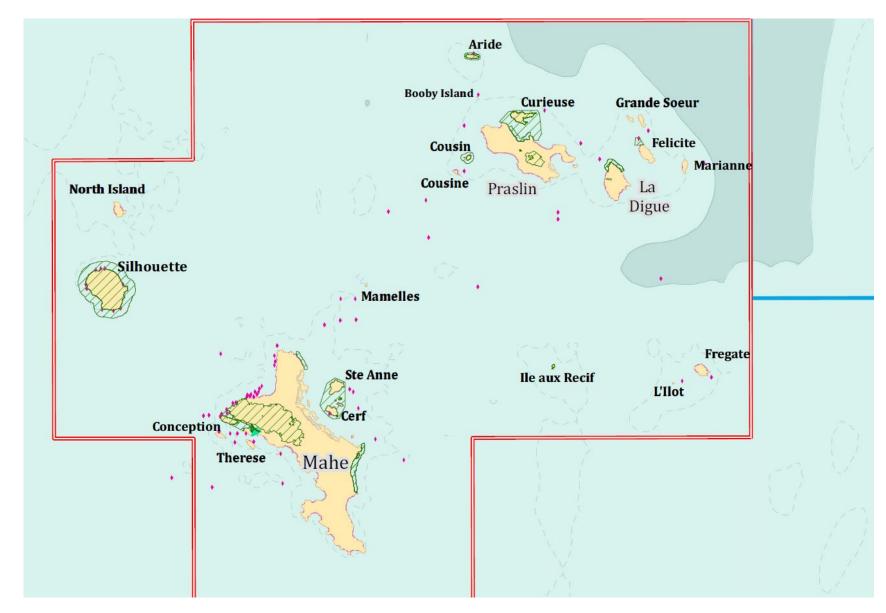


Using the Map Atlas

- Turn on/off layers
- Add features and comments as GeoMarks
- Share this information between team members
- As a quick information source for reports, etc..
- Take home the "Quick Start Guide"



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MAP KEY

Spatial analysis units

Fisheries restricted zones Sea cucumber survey (CSIRO) Number per hectare 6 - 65
65 - 215
215 - 550

ZONE A, Food Security and Fisheries ZONE B, Biodiversity and

Replenishment Existing protected areas or Reserves Proposed protected areas

Ramsar site

Shipping traffic (Halpern08) High : 0.392979

Low : 0

and Infrastructure

ZONE C, Multi-use, Marine Services ZONE D, Non-renewable Energy Seismic survey Side Drains Reclaimed areas Settlements Development zones (Praslin)

Restricted area Licensed blocks New applications

Recreation and Culture Dangerous swimming areas Anchorages Dive sites

Glassbottom boat sites

ZONE E, Multi-use, Tourism,

Hotels *

Self Catering Small Hotel Large Hotel

Beaches Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty * Features not shown at this map scale





Navigating the Map

Basic functions

Displaying layers

Collaborating with peers



Included data layers

Organized by zone

Placeholders for new data updates that are presently in the works



Living Document

This map set will be updated frequently

As new data becomes available...

As participants provide input...

