Developing a shark polisea for the Philippines

essons learned and ways forward



FIN FACTS

Approximately 200 species of sharks are found in the Philippines, but there may be more.















- Donsol declared their waters a whale shark sanctuary
- 🕴 FAO 193: Whale shark & manta ray protection
- Whale shark tourism established in Donsol, Sorsogon

2001-2009

- Wildlife Act of the Philippines
- First sharks listed in CITES
- Philippine National Plan of Action for Sharks

2010 & 2011

 First Senate and House bills to ban the taking, catching, killing of all shark species



Plan A, B, and Sea.

- Philippine Airlines stops transporting shark products
- 1st Philippine Shark Summit held in Cebu
- Cebu PO 2014-15: Protects all sharks, rays, & chimaeras in Cebu
- Philippine Aquatic Wildlife Rescue & Response Manual: Sharks & Rays
- Pating Ka Ba? An Identification Guide to Sharks, Batoids, and Chimaeras of the Philippines



- RA 10654 Sec. 102: Automatically protects CITESlisted species
- Daanbantayan EO 16: Monad Shoal & Gato Island as the 1st Shark & Ray sanctuary

2016

- Thresher sharks, mobula rays, & silky sharks listed in CITES Appendix II
- 2nd Philippine Shark Summit held in Dumaguete





Have a bigger fantasea.





CONSERVATION PILLARS

Research



Community Engagement



Communication



Governance



- Creation of the 2020 Conservation Roadmap for Sharks & Rays
- Philippine NPOA-Sharks updated
- Drafting of the Shark Conservation Act of the Philippines

Research, tourism guidelines, sharks

in captivity, bycat measures, non-deand traceability

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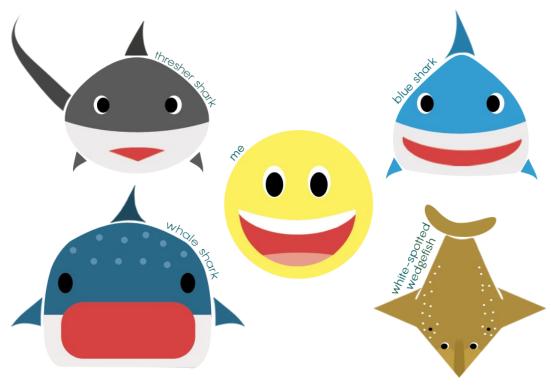


There is no FIN-ish line.

- Community consultations and policy advocacy campaigns in coastal communities
- Shark Conservation Act of the Philippines filed as a bill in the Senate on 31 May 2018
- Shark Conservation Legislation Toolkit
- 2018 Shark Summit







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