

ARABIAN ORYX TERRESTRIAL PROTECTED AREA FACTSHEET



NAME
ARABIAN ORYX
TERRESTRIAL
PROTECTED
AREA (TPA)
AREA
5974 km²

ESTABLISHED
In 2007

LOCATION
AL AIN REGION

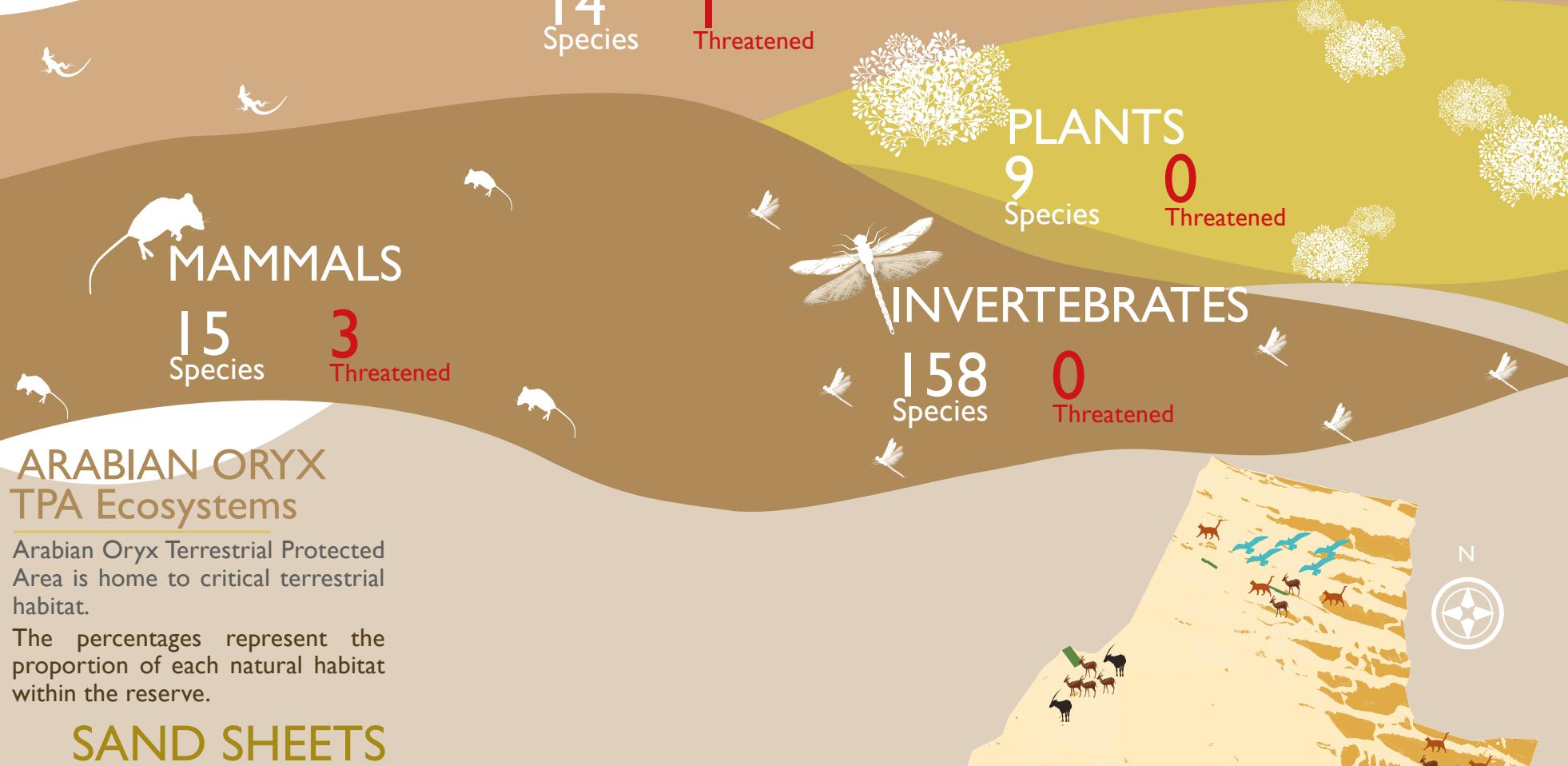
DECLARATION
In 2017

ARABIAN ORYX TPA Features

The Arabian Oryx is classified as an endangered species, and now it can be seen in large herds at the dedicated Arabian Oryx Reserve in Abu Dhabi. The credit for making Abu Dhabi home to the largest group of Arabian Oryx in the world goes to the efforts of EAD and other different programmes.

One of the biggest programmes that have been implemented in this protected area, that helped in saving the Oryx from extinction, was the Shaikh Mohammad Bin Zayed Arabian Oryx Reintroduction Programme.

The Arabian Oryx Protected Area has a unique habitat and diversity of different animals species such as gazelle, foxes, desert rats, hares, reptiles, mammals, and birds.



ARABIAN ORYX TPA Ecosystems

Arabian Oryx Terrestrial Protected Area is home to critical terrestrial habitat.

The percentages represent the proportion of each natural habitat within the reserve.

SAND SHEETS AND DUNES

78.2 %
4674 km²

OASES, FARMLAND AND FORESTRY

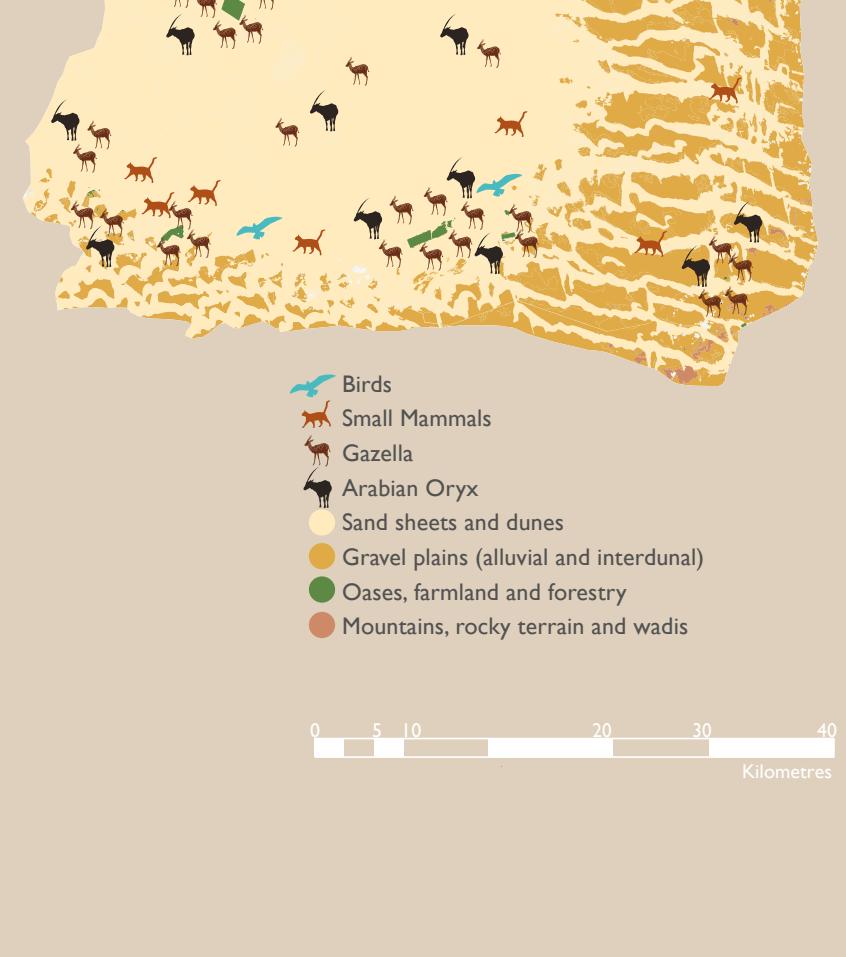
0.5 %
30 km²

MOUNTAINS, ROCKY TERRAIN AND WADIS

0.3 %
18 km²

GRAVEL PLAINS (ALLUVIAL AND INTERDUNAL)

20.5 %
1226 km²



WILDLIFE IMPORTANCE

1. Home of **largest** population of **Arabian Oryx** in the world, with more than **246** Arabian Oryx.



2. Second important mammal in this protected area is Arabian Sand **Gazelle** with total number **1800**.



3. Hosting important endangered species:

- Rüppell's fox
- Sand cat
- Pallid Harrier
- Egyptian Spiny-tailed Lizard



GENERAL REGULATION



NOT OPEN FOR THE PUBLIC



NEEDS PERMIT TO ENTER THE PROTECTED AREA