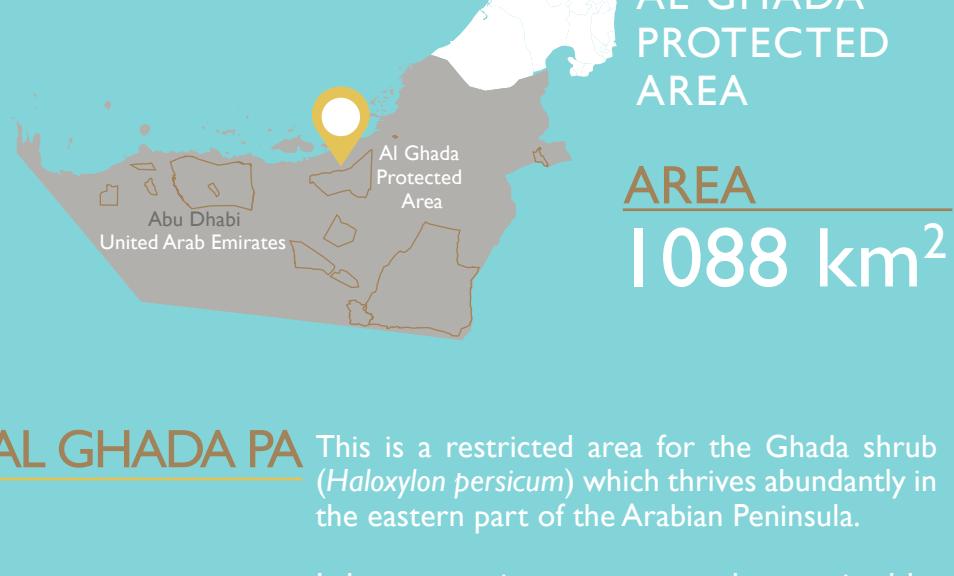


AL GHADA TERRESTRIAL PROTECTED AREA FACTSHEET 2023



ESTABLISHED
In 2017

DECLARATION
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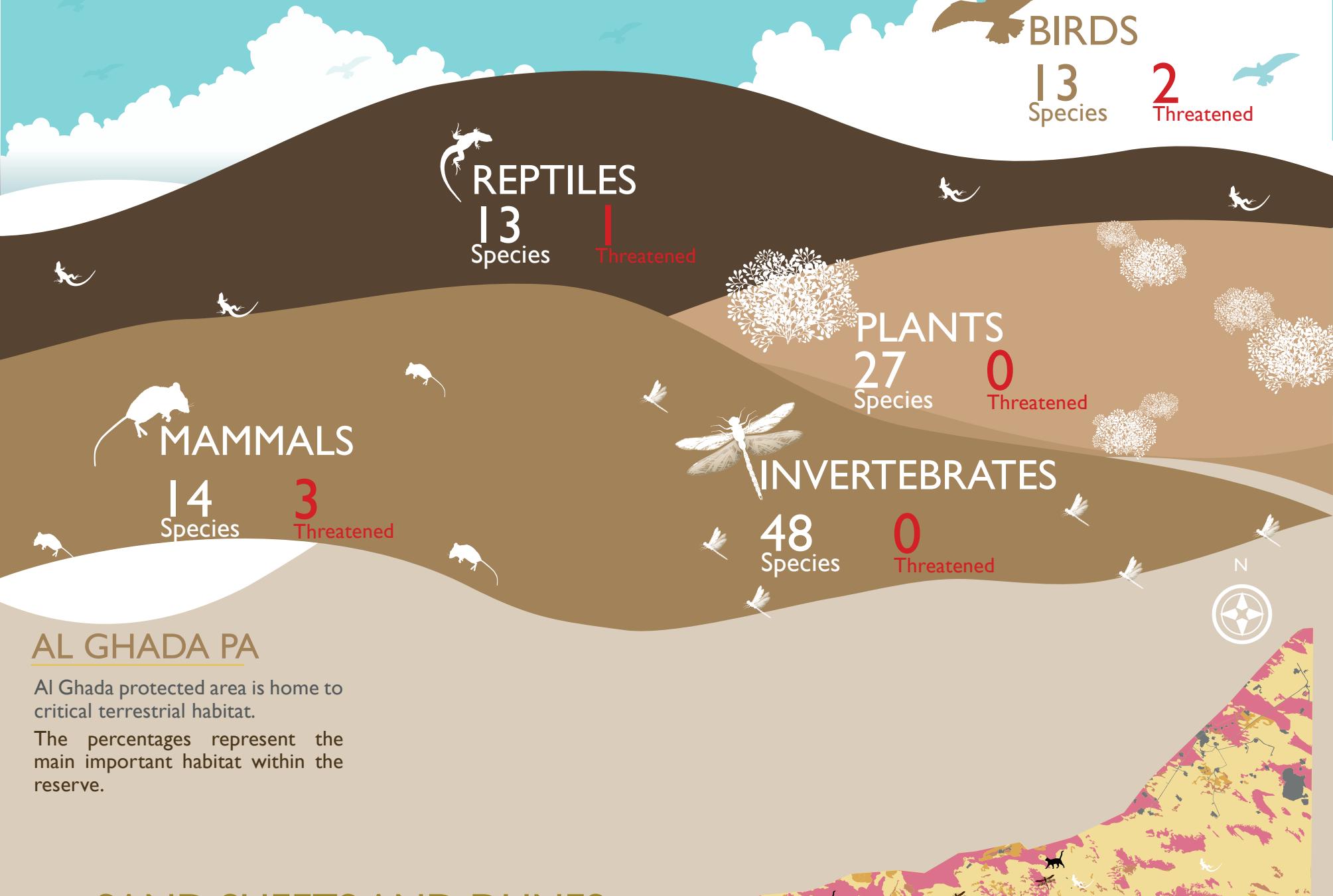
LOCATION
70Km AWAY FROM ABU DHABI CITY TOWARD THE SOUTH

AL GHADA PA

This is a restricted area for the Ghada shrub (*Haloxylon persicum*) which thrives abundantly in the eastern part of the Arabian Peninsula.

It boasts a unique ecosystem characterized by pristine white sand dunes and dominated by the remarkable *Haloxylon persicum* shrub. Most of the PA is covered by sand sheet and dunes with dwarf shrub cover and Alluvial or Interdunal plains with sparse vegetation.

Al Ghada Protected Area is classified according to the IUCN classifications within fifth (IV) category which is habitat and species management area.



AL GHADA PA

Al Ghada protected area is home to critical terrestrial habitat.

The percentages represent the main important habitat within the reserve.



- Birds
- Mammals
- Insects
- Reptiles

Yellow: Sand sheets and dunes

Orange: Gravel plains (alluvial and interdunal)

Green: Oases, farmland and forestry

Red: Mountains, rocky terrain and wadis

Grey: Urban habitat types

Pink: Coastal sabkha, including sabkha matti

0 5 10 20 30 40 Kilometres

WILDLIFE IMPORTANCE

1. A sustainable hunting facility is established in this PA called (ALMARZOOM) which attracts many traditional hunting enthusiasts which added economic benefit to Abu Dhabi Emirate.

2. Hosting important endangered species:

- Mammals

- Sand Gazelle
- Arabian Oryx

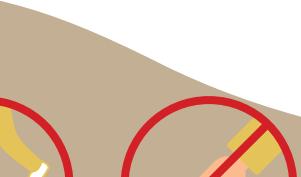
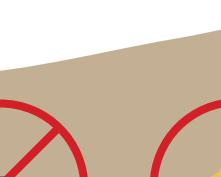
- Reptiles

- Egyptian Spiny-tailed Lizard

- Birds

- Houbara Bustard

- European Turtle Dove



GENERAL REGULATION



WEAPONS ARE PROHIBITED



NO NOISE



NO HARMING OF WILDLIFE



USE SPECIFIED PATH



NO DUMPING OF WASTE



THE VISITOR SHALL BEAR ANY DAMAGE CAUSED TO THE RESERVE



THE RESERVE IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY INJURY THAT MAY INFILCT THE VISITORS



IT IS FORBIDDEN TO SET FIRE IN NON-DESIGNATED AREAS