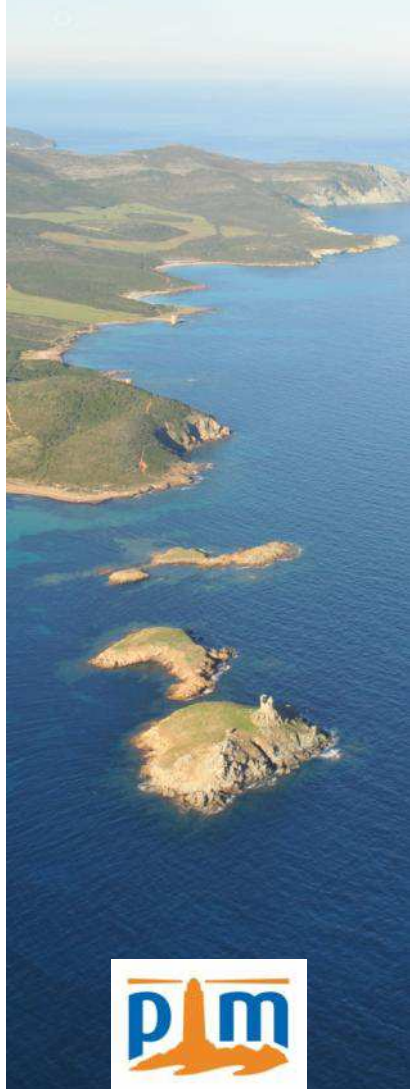


# Hottentot Fig, *Carpobrotus edulis*, Eradication program



*Grand Rouveau island  
Embiez archipelago  
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# Context



- 6.5 ha owned by the Conservatoire du Littoral
- 60% of the area covered by *Carpobrotus edulis*
- Several protected species including *Euleptes europaeus*
- The grubbing-out program is established for 3 or 4 years of 1 summer week session
- With the technical and scientific support from different partners : *Ville de Six Fours les Plages, Conservatoire du littoral, Aix-Marseille University/IMBE, Port Cros National Park, CEFÉ-CNRS Montpellier*)

❖ Hottentot Fig is grubbed and is dried directly on the ground, forming a series of benches, decreasing the impact of leaching



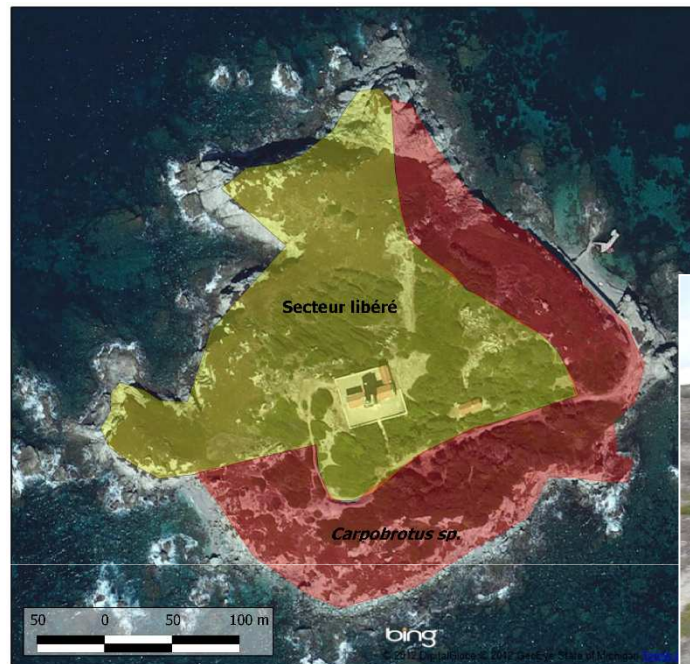
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# Work in progress!



Nearly 60 people mobilized  
In two years, about 50% of the  
surface covered (7000m<sup>2</sup>)  
→ Around 24 m<sup>2</sup>/pers/h



Natural recolonisation of the  
benches (after 2 years)



Also a replanting project from  
the botanical heritage of the  
island



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