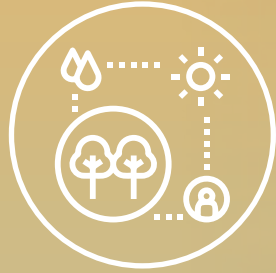


BENEFITS



Maintain plant and animal populations healthy.



Protect ecosystems that absorb and store carbon.



Provide ecosystem services (water filtration, air purification, soil health, food security, recreation, culture).



Help maintain trophic structures.



Protect genetic diversity.

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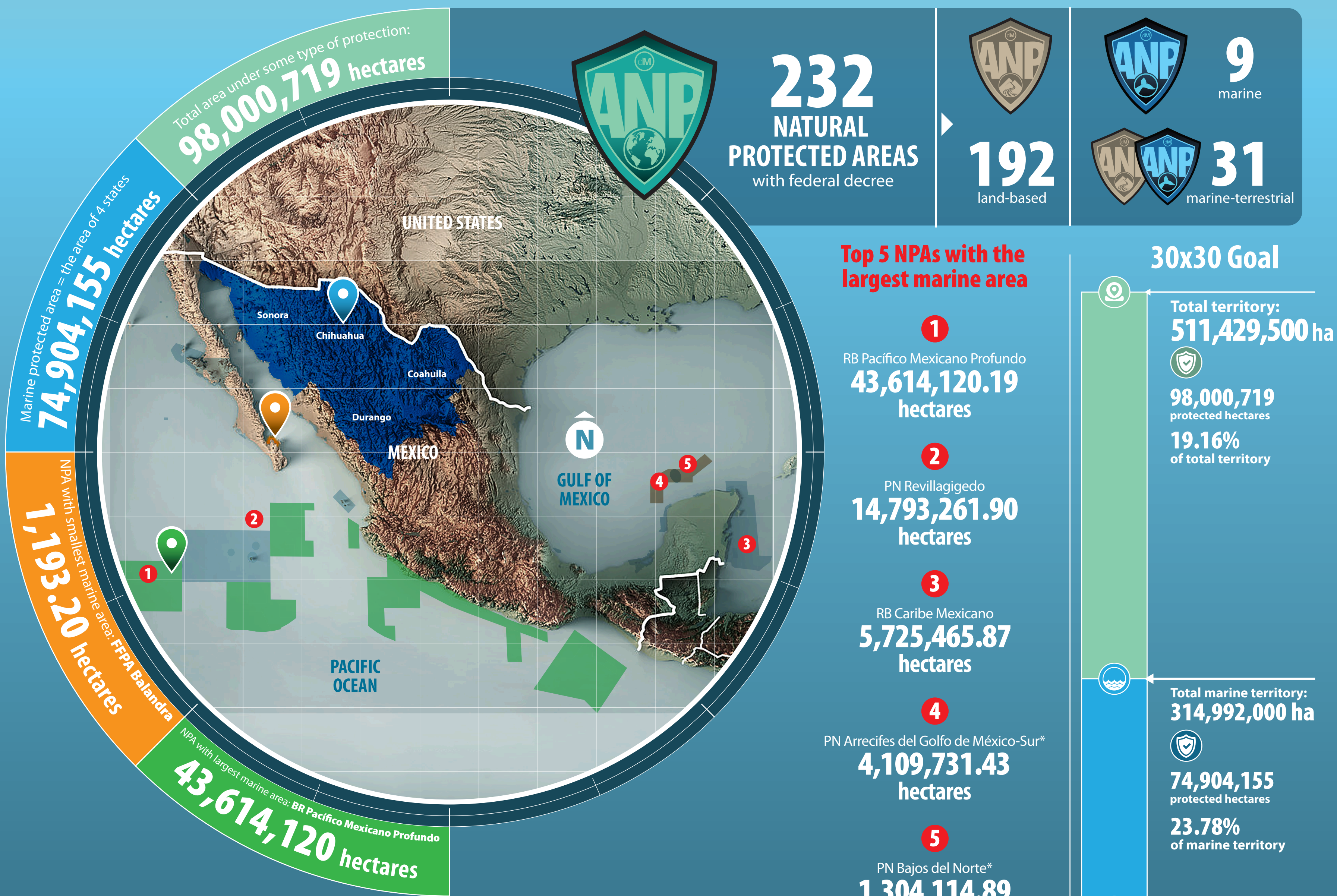


NATURAL PROTECTED AREAS IN MEXICO

Natural Protected Areas (NPAs) are areas set aside to protect species, ecosystems, or elements of cultural, natural and economic value. In 2022, Mexico formally committed to protecting 30% of its terrestrial territory and 30% of its marine territory by 2030 by adhering to the Kunming-Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework.

CONSERVATION HISTORY

- 1868**
Mexican Society of Natural History was founded.
- 1923**
The National Autonomous University of Mexico's Biology Institute was created.
- 1940**
Mexico joins the Convention on Nature Protection and Wild Life Preservation in the Western Hemisphere.
- 1982**
The Ministry of Urban Development and Ecology was formed through the National Protected Area System (SINANP, for its name in Spanish).
- 1988**
The General Law on Ecological Balance and Environmental Protection was passed.
- 1992**
CONABIO, the National Institute of Ecology (INE; currently INECC), and PROFEPA were formed.
- 1994**
The Secretary of Environment and Natural Resources (SEMARNAP) and the Commission for Environmental Cooperation were formed.
- 2000**
A change in Mexico's Federal Public Administration Law results in the Secretary of Environment and Natural Resources (SEMARNAT) and the National Commission of Natural Protected Areas (CONANP).
- 2010**
Mexico adopts the Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011-2020, including the Aichi Goals.
- 2012**
The National Policy on Seas and Coasts is published.
- 2014**
CONANP publishes the 2040 Strategy.
- 2016**
Mexico's National Strategy for Biodiversity is published.
- 2024**
Mexico presents the Mex30x30 project during COP16 in Cali, Colombia.
- 2025**
The National Environmental Restoration Program 2025-2030 is launched.



CATEGORY	NUMBER	AREA (hectares)
Biosphere Reserve	48	64,033,711
National Park	79	21,679,414
Flora and Fauna Protection Area	57	7,525,040
Sanctuary	28	155,488
Natural Resources Protected Area	15	4,585,287
Natural Monument	5	16,269

32 management plans for marine-terrestrial NPAs

92% of islands in Mexico are located within an NPA's boundary

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