

AZORES SPORT FISHING CATCH REPORT FOR LARGE PELAGIC FISHES

YEAR	2025
VESSEL	Double Header
REGISTRATION	133659-4PT
LICENSE No.	MT – 21/2023 - 2 Fish Boat Works, Lda
CAPT	Les Gallagher

AREA ABBREVIATIONS: **A** = Azores Bank; **C** = Condor Bank; **N** = North of Faial; **S** = South of Faial / Pico; **PA** = Princess Alice Bank; **SJ** = S. Jorge

AREA ABBREVIATIONS: **SS** = South of S. Miguel; **MP** = Mar de Prata; **BS** = Banco Settentia; **NE** = NE of S. Miguel; **NS** = North of S. Miguel

SPECIES ABBREVIATIONS: **BM** = Blue marlin; **WM** = White marlin; **SPF** = Spearfish; **SWF** = Swordfish; **DO** = Dorado

SPECIES ABBREVIATIONS: **BFT** = Bluefin tuna; **BET** = Bigeye tuna; **YFT** = Yellowfin tuna; **ALB** = Albacore tuna; **WHO** = Wahoo

DATE	ANGLER	AREA / Hrs fished	BM CAUGHT- OBSERVED	BM ESTIMATED WEIGHT lbs	OTHER SPECIES OBSERVATIONS OR CATCH
JUL					
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2	XXXXXXX	N8	0-1	(300)	1 WM 70, 1 SWF 400
3	XXXXXXX	A8	0-0		CATCH YFT 140
4	XXXXXXX	C4,N4	1-2	350 (400)	RELEASE 1 SPF 50, 1 SWF 150
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	Total days: 45		Total BM released: 20	Total Weight: 11,000lb	

SUMMARY

TOTAL FISHING DAYS:	45
TOTAL BM CONTACTS	40
TOTAL BM RELEASED	20
TOTAL BM LANDED: 0	0
BM CONTACT TO CATCH RATIO 62%	50 %
TOTAL WEIGHT BM RELEASED 25,450lb (11,568Kg)	11000 lbs / 5000KG
ESTIMATED WEIGHT / MORTALITY of 10%	1100 lbs / 500kg (2 fish returned to biomass)

NOTES

WATER QUALITY
Temperature - below average throughout season but held stable longer than expected in October – marlin still caught in 20.7°C
Colour - frequent areas of colder green water over banks and costal areas
FISHING
most productive fishing was in 1000m+ water North of Condor and Faial, notably Sept 15 – Oct 15 Fish caught on Az bank during early season were mostly on E. side - very few fish on N. and W. sides
BAIT FISH
Cavala - much less than average throughout the season – minimal on or around banks Chicharo - more than average - increasing toward end of season in the North Peixe-pau - much higher than average in all areas through season, - increasing toward end of season in the North
TURTLES
Tartaruga-careta - observed consistently in all areas average 1-2 per day. Tarturuga-de-couro - 2 sightings
MARINE LITTER
Average - probably 10 sightings per day
WEED
Constant presence of Sargasso through season - higher than average
JELLY FISH
Caravelas - much less than average Others - none

CONTACTS:

Maritime Police (reporting of Hazards):
AVP (Whatsap):