

Marbella, December 2025



NEWSLETTER



Feliz Navidad



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New POSIMED Base (POS_39) on the Calahonda Coast



ProDunas Marbella reports that, together with the Regional Government of Andalusia (Junta de Andalucía) and the University of Malaga (UMA), a new POSIMED Base (POS_39) on the Calahonda coast (Mijas) have been installed. Our Association will be responsible for the supervision and control of this new Base. This will ensure the continued monitoring of the condition of the seagrass meadows off the Costa del Sol.

Technicians from the Regional Government of Andalusia have taken part in the installation of the Base, ensuring that the entire underwater installation process is properly set up. Data collection will require inspection by scuba divers, while the observation process can be carried out while freediving.

Furthermore, once the installation of station POS_39 is complete, ProDunas Marbella will organize a practical seminar on a Saturday to reinforce training and facilitate project monitoring.

ProDunas Marbella continues working hard to stay up to date with all advances in the field of environmental protection to conserve our marine ecosystems.

Inauguration of the POSIMED POS_39 Base in Calahonda (Mijas)

We are pleased to announce that on December 10, 2025, a new POSIMED POS_39 Base was installed on Calahonda beach (Mijas). This is an important step for the monitoring and protection of Seagrass meadows along our coastline.

Skilled technicians from the Regional Government of Andalusia (La Junta) and the University of Málaga (UMA) deployed a monitoring buoy. ProDunas Marbella will be responsible for supervising the base, collecting data, and providing ongoing monitoring, ensuring that this supervision point functions correctly and provides key information about the *Posidonia oceanica* – our Seagrass meadows.

We appreciate the involvement of all the volunteers and entities that make it possible to advance in the protection of the marine environment.

MIÉRCOLES, 10 DE DICIEMBRE 2025 INAUGURACIÓN DE ESTACIÓN POSIMED POS_39



Invitación para participar buzos con Padi o similar y
Observación en apnea y apoyo en tierra
Implementación de boya por técnicos de la Junta de Andalucía y de la
Universidad de Málaga (UMA)

Lugar del encuentro: TORRE CALAHONDA
C. Calypso, 201, 29649 Mijas, Málaga

Horario: 10:00 HORAS
La fecha podrá ajustarse según la meteorología.

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New POSIMED station installed in Calahonda!

The **Andalusian Regional Government (Junta de Andalucía)**, together with **ProDunas Marbella**, has installed **POSIMED station POS 39** in Calahonda, very close to the Tower of Calahonda, adding a new key monitoring point for assessing the condition of seagrass meadows along our coastline.

At **ProDunas Marbella**, we welcome this important step forward, which strengthens the scientific work aimed at understanding the health of species such as *Posidonia oceanica* and *Cymodocea nodosa*, both essential for biodiversity and for the natural protection of our coasts. This new station will allow the collection of up-to-date and reliable data on the evolution of these marine ecosystems, true lungs of the Mediterranean Sea.

We would like to thank the **Junta de Andalucía** for the technical work carried out and reaffirm our commitment to continue collaborating and supporting initiatives that protect our marine environment.





Nothing stops us in our work to conserve our dunes.



A few days ago, in El Alicate dune, we could see, once again, just what can be achieved with willpower and teamwork.

The three large unmissable stands of Giant Reeds have completely disappeared, thanks to the combined efforts of our volunteers and the workers from the Environment and Beaches Department of Marbella Town Hall, who worked without machinery, using only hoes, perseverance, and a lot of strength.

It was hard work, but the result speaks for itself: Giant Reeds eradicated to give us a more protected dune environment.

Thank you all for your dedication and ongoing commitment to the recovery of our ecosystems.



Birdwatching: One of the schoolchildren's favourite activities in the dunes

On their visits to the dunes, one of the activities the schoolchildren enjoy most is birdwatching, learning to use binoculars.

During these outings, they discover the wide variety of species that use the dunes regularly as well as resting and feeding stopovers on their bi-annual migratory round trips.

Observing birds in their natural habitat sparks their curiosity, helps them understand the importance of conserving these natural spaces, and allows them to see firsthand the ecological value not obvious at first glance in the Marbella dunes.

At ProDunas Marbella, we continue working on bringing nature closer to young people and raising awareness, enjoyment, and respect for the biodiversity of our coastline.



Rescue of a Sparrowhawk (*Accipiter nisus*) in Puerto Banús



A member of the public alerted the local police that a sparrowhawk, while in flight, had struck the window of his business in Puerto Banús. The police passed on the information to **ProDunas Marbella**, who coordinated the rescue with Patricia, the biologist from our Association, and to the Fire Department, who went to the address in Puerto Banús to safely collect the bird.

The case was reported to the CREA (Center for the Recovery of Endangered Species) at their installations in the Montes de Málaga, following the established protocol for incidents involving wildlife.

Unfortunately, the bird did not survive the impact with the window and we were informed of its death. We are saddened by this tragic outcome, but collisions with windows can be fatal.

We thank all the people involved - firefighters and the CREA – staff who acted swiftly in the recovery of the Sparrowhawk from the roof of the building did all they could to save the life of this precious bird.

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