

G 5.3 FISHING AND AQUACULTURE



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Notes explaining how fishing for Dorado ('lampuki') is done.

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Fishing for Lampuki (Dorado)



Dorado is **not** caught during the whole year, and it is caught with **the net or feather but not with the fishing rod.**

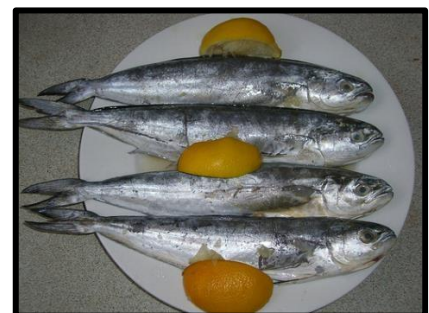
Fishermen have a '*skuna*' with which they go **far at sea** in order to catch the Dorado.

Sometimes they remain for 3-4 days between only sky and water.

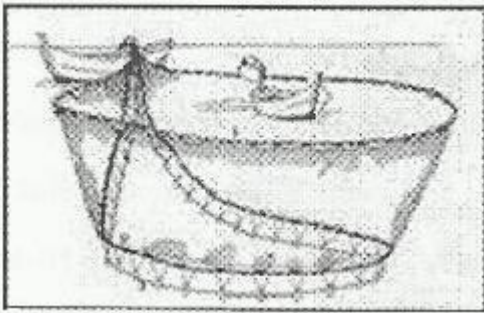
The season starts in **September** but the fishermen usually start placing their '*kannizzati*' from **August**.

'*Kannizzata*' is like a big raft made up of corks, sacks, palm leaves, cane stems and other things that float over water.

These are tied together to form a kind of roof over the surface of the sea. **The Dorado fish then goes under it to shelter from the sun.**



To prevent them from being dragged by the sea current, they tie the 'kannizzata' with ropes to bricks/rocks thrown to the bottom of the sea. On the top of the 'kannizzata' they put a buoy or a cork so each fisherman can recognise which one is their 'kannizzata'. This is called **peak ('cima)**.

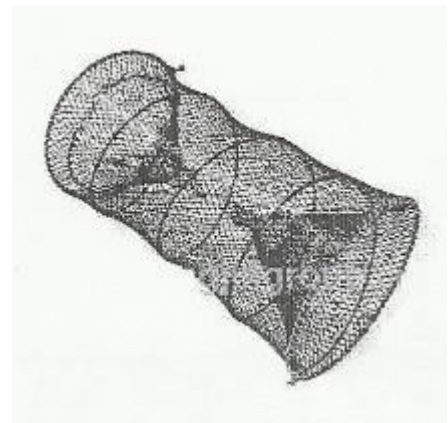


The fishermen go out to sea with their boats and when they arrive near their 'kannizzati' they **use** the feather to bring the Dorado closer to them. Then they **turn over the 'kannizzata' with the net** and the Dorado or pilot-fish are caught in the net.

Fishing Creels

Boxes where to store fish to be taken to the fish market.

On the 'skuna' there are, **the patron**, who is the owner, and he **usually has about four other fishermen helping him.**



It is worth mentioning that Dorado is also caught using the 'rixa' (feather). The feather is a very long rope with a lot of hooks. These hooks are hidden with the feather or other items.

The types of fish caught in the Dorado season are **Pilot-fish, Lesser Amberjack and Tuna.**

