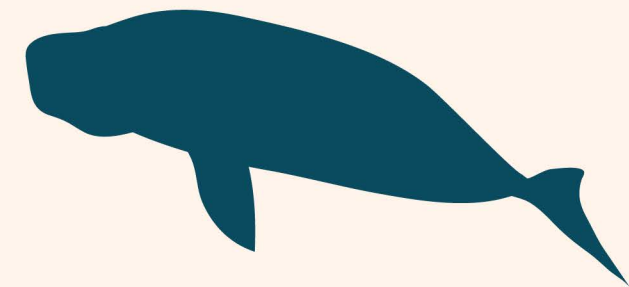


SAVE OUR DUGONGS!



The dugong is a unique marine mammal and it is only found in Johor in Peninsula Malaysia. Johor is a very special place!

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The dugong is a threatened species and it is undergoing decline in Johor, due to incidental entanglements in nets, boat strikes and coastal development...



Drive the boat slowly so that dugongs are not being hit when they come up to breath!

Be careful where to anchor a boat - the anchors can damage the seagrass!

Park your boat carefully and try not to block the sunlight - it is essential for seagrass to grow!

Release a dugong from a fishing net if you see it struggling!

If you are lucky to see a dugong, don't chase it, try to ride on it or catch it - stay where you are and don't move towards it, just observe and appreciate!

Don't throw waste or garbage into the sea or on the ground!

If you happen to see a dead dugong, please report it to the authorities such as the Fisheries Department, Malaysia

Don't build a house close to the shore as coastal development will cause sedimentation and the seagrass will die out!

Dugongs depend on seagrass to survive - they only eat seagrass and can't survive on anything else. Seagrasses are very vulnerable to the lack of sunlight or sedimentation!