

**Shelling trip to Dakhla -
Western Sahara – Morocco
24/08/2015 to 03/09/2015**

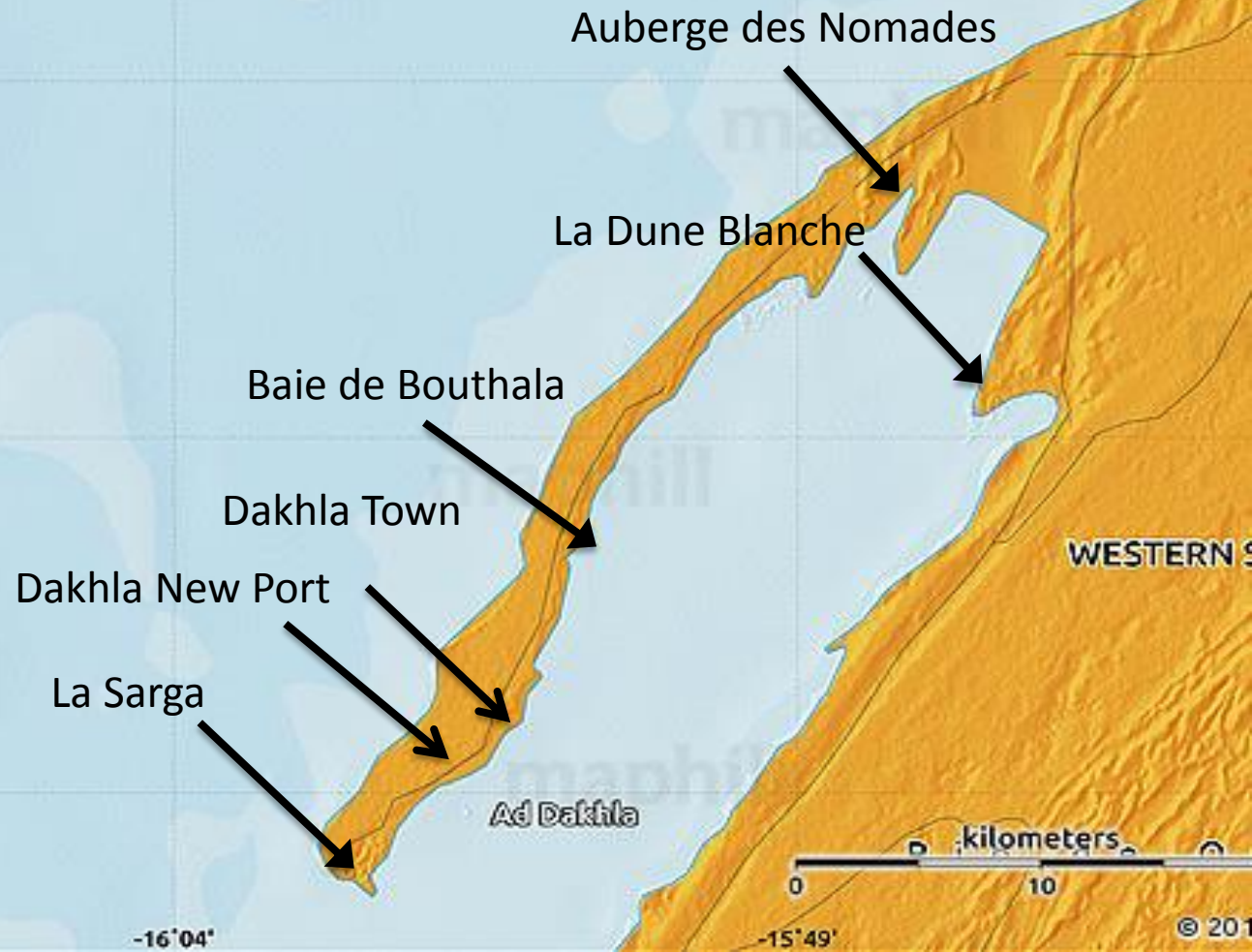
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Western Sahara – some key points

- 266 000 km² mainly lowland deserts with rocky or sandy bottom and few hills.
- 575 000 inhabitants mainly Berber and Bedouin (Saharawi) - Sunni Islam, speaking Arabic dialects.
- Dominated by Spain, in the 19th century (Rio de Oro).
- Annexed by Morocco in 1975 in spite of the decisions of the International Court of Justice. Continuous struggle with the Polisario supported by Algeria. here is a ceasefire since 1991 (unresolved permanent conflict).
- Hot dry desert, but the coastal cold ocean wind creates fog and dew.
- Economy: phosphate mines and fishing.

Dakhla and collecting localities



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Bay near Auberge des Nomades

























List of species from “Auberge des Nomades”

Bittium latreillei

Bittium sp.

Epitonium sp.

Hydrobia ulvae

Galeommatidae sp.

Gibberula epigrus

Nassarius pfeifferi

Nassarius goreensis

Nassarius cf. goreensis

Nucula turgida

Nuculana bicuspidata

Mesalia mesal

Turbonillidae sp.

Turridae s.l. nov. spec.

Cymbium pepo

La Sarga



















Species list of shells collected at La Sarga

Anomia ehippium

Astarte fusca

Afer lansbergisi

Chauvetia sp.

Pollia assimilis

Phalium saburon

Chitonidae species ()*

Columbella rustica

Conus byssinus

Crepidula porcellana

Crassatina marchadi

Dentalium sp

Donax longissimus

Glycymeris scripta

Glycymeris sp.

Loripes lacteus

Linga adansonii

Lutraria senegalensis

Marginella irrorata

Marginella senegalensis

Marginella glabella

Volvarina ambigua

Persicula blanda

Persicula cingulata

Persicula persicula

Hexaplex angularis

Hexaplex canariensis

Hexaplex duplex

Bolinus cornutus tumulosus

Musculus subpictus ()*

Nassarius miga

Nassarius vaucheri

Dorsanum miran

Nassarius sp.

Natica fulminea

Natica sp.

Olivella pulchella

Chlamys varia ()*

Tricolia pullus

Cabestana dolirium

Charonia lampas

Abra tenuis

Gastrana matadoa

Terebra senegalensis

Terebra corrugata

Gibbula magus

Gibbula joubini

Clavatula sacerdos

Archimediella torulosa

Mesalia opalina

Circomphalus

foliacealamellosa

Venerupis decussatus

Venerupis corrugata

Venus declivis

Cymbium cucumis

Cymbium pepo

Bouthala



















































List of species from Bouthala

Barleeia sp.

Afer lansbergisi

Polia assimilis

Cardita senegalensis

Bittium lattareillei

Bittium sp.

Anachis cuspidata

Mitrella aff. broderipi

Conus guanche

Conus byssinus

Vexillum zebrina

Dentalium sp.

Myosotella myosotis

Melanella cf. atlantica

Diodora cf. graeca

Littorina punctata

Gibberula cf. oryza

Persicula blanda

Persicula cingulata

Marginella glabella

Hexaplex duplex

Jaton hemipterus

Ocenebrina miscowichae

Phyllonotus hoplites

Bolinus cornutus
tumulosus

Muricopiss fusulus

Nassarius miga

Nassarius cuvieri

Nassarius reticulatus

Natica fulminea

Natica fanel

Naticarius vittatus

Gari intermedia

Turbonilla sp.

Siphonaria pectinata

Circulus aff. striatus

Monodonta lineata

Clavatella sacerdos

Archimediella torulosa

Mesalia flammifera

Venus verrucosa

Cymbium marmoratum

La Dune Blanche



































Species from “La Dune Blanche”

<i>Heteranomia squamula</i>	<i>Gibberula epigyrus</i>
<i>Bulla striata</i>	<i>Prunum amygdalum</i>
<i>Cerastoderma glaucum</i>	<i>Volvarina ambigua</i>
<i>Bittium lattreillei</i>	<i>Nassarius goreensis</i>
<i>Galeommatidae sp.</i>	<i>Nassarius pfeifferi</i>
<i>Haminoea elegans</i>	<i>Solen marginatus</i>
<i>Haminoea orbignyana</i>	<i>Flroimetes papyracea</i>
<i>Hydrobia ulvae</i>	<i>Gastrana fragilis</i>
<i>Lepidochitona cinerea</i>	<i>Archimediella torulosa</i>
<i>Mactra glabrata</i>	

A view of Dakhla



Climbing



The seafront of Dakhla

