

Gillnets



Rigging a wedge sole net



Mounting float cord on a 50-mesh lemon / dover sole net



Mounting a cuttlefish trammel net. Here the fishermen use PE-cord with floats, our prices is based on float cord with the EVA-float string inside the rope.

Artisan Fisheries has been importing and distributing fish nets to Portugal and Spain for the last 15 years. In the beginning, we imported from Taiwan. The Taiwanese manufacturers moved to mainland china in some ten years ago, to establish joint ventures and train the Chinese in making quality nets. Now some Chinese themselves has achieved a level of quality that surpasses those of European suppliers. Their machinery is always of the best Japanese brands and frequently renewed, making the mesh uniform and the knots rightly tighten. The raw materials are coming from the large suppliers such as DuPont, BSAF etc.

The examples of gillnets shown of the right side of the page, is standard here in our region (Malaga to Huelva) and in Portugal. We are sure that the examples, with few adjustments, can be adapted to the French coast, southern UK and Ireland. This whole region does now have sub-tropical species due to global warming. Last summer, when on my summer house in Norway, I was catching sub-tropical species not found there five years ago.

TAILORMAKING

We work with several importers in Spain that stocks virtually any specifications. Spain is a very competitive market for gillnets, being the largest market in the EU. Spanish importers also export to other regions, especially Africa. We use fishermen at their free time and during bad weather to mount the nets for us. You can have your nets made exactly to your specifications.

The mounting is done by hand and with the knots around the rope, not through the rope as done in North Europe. Hand made nets makes, in our opinion, a more flexible net than machine mounted nets. The fishermen would mount the nets as if they should use them themselves.

FLOAT CORD

The use of ring floats are fading and now the fishermen turn to float cords. For multifilament nets and shallow water nets braided polypropylene cord is used, the float body (made of EVA/Bacell expanded foam) is stong and maintain buoyancy in deeper water. Nets that fish on rocks and at deeper water uses 3 or 4 strand polysteel rope with the float body inside each strand if the rope.

The float cord is far more expensive than rope with ring floats, but the nets last up to 100% longer since the ring floats has a tendency to tangle in the mesh and stretch the mesh during mechanical hauling. If you prefer ring floats, the price difference would be € 10-15 per net as discount.

SPECIFICATIONS AND PRICES

- Some of the most popular styles -
-All nets are 45-48 meter long when mounted-

Multifilament Trammel Shrimp net
Thread: 210/1, Outer nets 210D/9
Mesh size (mmsq) 21
Mesh high: 40 Cm: 80 Inches: 32
Lead cord: 5 Kg - 11 Lbs, 7mm
Float cord: Braided Polyester, 8mm
Mounting thread: Nylon twine 210D/6
Shrimp size: 20-30 pieces per kg
Prices: Nets only € 11,00
Rigged & Ready to fish: € 91.-

Mono Wedge Sole Net
Thread: 0.20mm
Mesh size (mmsq) 21
Mesh high: 20 Cm: 40 Inches: 16
Lead cord: 5 Kg - 11 Lbs, 7mm
Float cord: Braided Polyester, 8mm
Mounting thread: 1mm braided nylon
Fish size: 15-25 pieces per kg
Prices: Nets only € 4,00
Rigged & Ready to fish: € 75.-

Multifilament Trammel Mullet Net
Thread: 210D/6, Outer nets 210D/12
Mesh size (mmsq) 34
Mesh high: 40 Cm: 100 Inches: 40
Lead cord: 5 Kg - 11 Lbs, 7mm
Float cord: Braided Polyester, 8mm
Mounting thread: 1mm braided nylon
Fish size: 100 - 1000gr.
Prices: Nets only € 20,00
Rigged & Ready to fish: € 105.-

Mono Mullet Net
Thread: 0.28mm
Mesh size (mmsq) 34
Mesh high: 40 Cm: 100 Inches: 40
Lead cord: 5 Kg - 11 Lbs, 7mm
Float cord: Braided Polyester, 8mm
Mounting thread: 1mm braided nylon
Fish size: 100 - 1000gr.
Prices: Nets only € 9,00
Rigged & Ready to fish: € 87.-

Multifilament Trammel Cuttlefish net
Thread: 210D/6, Outer nets 210D/12
Mesh size (mmsq) 45
Mesh high: 35 Cm: 160 Inches: 63
Lead cord: 5 Kg - 11 Lbs, 7mm
Float cord: Braided, 8mm
Mounting thread: 1.2mm braided nylon
Fish Size: ½ to 5kg
Prices: Nets only € 20,00
Rigged & Ready to fish: € 105.-

Pandora, Hake & Saithe (Coalfish) net
Thread: 0.35
Mesh size (mmsq) 40
Mesh high: 40, 80 & 120
Net height in Cm: 160, 240 and 480
Net height in Inches: 63, 95 & 190
Lead cord: 6 Kg, 13 Lbs, 8mm
Float cord: Twisted PE, 8mm
Mounting thread: 1.4mm braided nylon
Fish size: 300gr to 2 kg
Prices: Net only: € 8, 11 and 22 respectively
Rigged & Ready to fish: € 63, 95 & 190

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Port of Conil, 30 km. south of Cadiz, is home of 50 gillnet boats



We sell gillnets to 200 fishing boats between Huelva and Malaga, in the region of Andalucía, Spain.



Port of Chipiona 30 km. north of Cadiz, harbours 60 gillnet boats.



White Croakers caught with gillnets. A boat can land 20-30 of this 20-50kg (45-110lbs) fish in a day.

Artisan Fisheries has for the last five years distributed fish nets directly to fishermen, learning from them and got their very honest opinion of the quality of what we are selling. The main cost of the nets is not the net itself, but the float cord, the lead cord and the labor. The net itself only count for some 10-20% of the cost of a ready rigged net. Therefore the net must be of good quality; otherwise the whole investment is lost.

Nylon is more expensive than Polypropylene and Polyethylene, and many fishnets today come to the market with low quality since the manufacturers of the raw materials mix in cheaper elements. When the net is exposed to the salt and sun, it becomes rigid and breaks easily, loses its color and ability to fish well. A good 100% nylon net can fish for five years with thousands of soakings. We go to China each year to oversee the production that is ordered by us.

Our region stretches from Isla Cristina at the border of Portugal, through the Gibraltar strait to Malaga. More than 1,000 fishing boats operate in this 400km coastline. May fishermen here choose to buy their nets ready mounted, and they buy them at the same prices that are offered here.

HOW TO PURCHASE

You can ask us about our opinion about the best net for you. To give our opinion, we need the following information:

- Size of your boat, fishing depth, bottom conditions, and of course the species you target and the size of such fishes.

You can ask for anything from one to many nets, just the nets or ready mounted nets. The transport cost to where you live depends on the quantity, one net by air mail may cost € 40.- while 100 nets by truck can cost € 8.- each.

Payment can be done by wire transfer or credit card (PayPal) after payment is received, we have your order ready to be shipped within 5-10 days. The transport time is also 5-10 days, depends on where you live.



Dover / Lemon Sole Net

Thread: 0.23 and 0.27, respectively
Mesh size (mmsq) 50 mm
Mesh high: 25 & 50 Cm: 100 and 200
Inches: 40 and 80, respectively
Lead cord: 6 Kg, 11 Lbs, 7mm
Float cord: Polysteel 4-strand rope 7mm
Mounting thread: 1mm braided nylon
Fish size: 300gr to 2 kg

Prices: Net only: € 6 and 9 respectively
Rigged & Ready to fish: € 56 & 60

Bass, Bream & Croaker Net

Thread: 0.35 – 0.40 & 0.45mm
Mesh size (mmsq) 55, 55 & 60 mm
Mesh high: 50, 80 & 100
Net height in Cm: 275, 440 and 600
Net height in Inches: 110, 175 & 235
Lead cord: 6, 7 & 8 Kg or 13, 15 & 17 Lbs
Top cord: Twisted Polysteel, 10mm
Mounting thread: 1.4mm braided nylon
Fish size: 1 to 10 kg

Prices: Net only: € 14, 18 and 23 respectively
Rigged & Ready to fish: € 100, 125 & 140

Cod Net

Thread: 0.35 – 0.40 & 0.45mm
Mesh size (mmsq) 60, 70 & 80 mm
Mesh high: 25, 30 & 35 respectively
Net height in Cm: 150, 210 and 280
Net height in Inches: 60, 80 & 110
Lead cord: 6, 7 & 8 Kg or 13, 15 & 17 Lbs
Float cord: Twisted Polysteel, 10mm
Mounting thread: 1.4mm braided nylon
Fish size: 1 to 15 kg

Prices: Net only: € 15, 18 and 23 respectively
Rigged & Ready to fish: € 115, 125 & 138

Mono Trammel Monkfish Net

Thread: 0.50mm, outer nets 0.80mm
Mesh size (mmsq) 140cm
Mesh high: 15
Net height: 200cm or 80 inches
Lead cord: Twisted Polysteel, 8 kg
Float cord: Twisted Polysteel 10mm
Mounting thread: 1.4mm braided nylon
Fish size: 2-10kg

Prices: Nets only: € 20
Rigged and ready to fish: € 125.-

ACCESSORIES

Anchors – Galvanized

Danforth Style

08 kg / 15 lbs € 25
10 kg / 22 lbs € 30
12 kg / 26 lbs € 35

Snaps for snap-on of ropes to floats, net

130mm x 3.5mm
Stainless steel, each € 1.-

Floats / markers:

- Reinforced float € 18.-
- Float with pole, flag 2m / 7' € 45.-
- Blinking marker light, works only from dusk and dawn, operated by 2 "D" batteries € 12.-

Ropes

Polysteel 4-strand rope 6-20mm
Rolls of 200 meter, € 2.50 per kg