

NETS

Nets, grids, bags and mixed technique on canvas; 80 x 100 cm; 2012



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Fishing net on the beach (Galicia, Spain)

Ghost fishing

Abandoned fishing nets and pots may continue catching and trapping fish and other organisms for decades. The nets may be drifting and travelling over large distances during their lifetime.

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Fishermen's rubbish bin

A significant part of the marine plastic debris consists of derelict fishing gear, which was lost or discarded: nets, traps, pots, lines, ropes, bait boxes and bags, gillnets, floats and other materials.



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Fishing trap on the beach (Galicia, Spain)