

## Dinagat Island, Surigao del Norte



Address: Dinagat Islands

Description: The Dinagat islands are known for a range of natural resources – from metallurgical-grade chromite, to magkono (Philippine ironwood), and its rich fishing grounds. As such, the area has been subjected to resource degradation, further spurred by the generally poor economic and socio-political conditions of the province, as well as by extreme weather conditions.

Status: Closed

## **Site Profile Summary**

Ecosystem Types	Terrestrial and Marine Forest Coastal and Marine Ecosystem
Protection Status	Mineral Reservation (Philippine Government Proclamation No. 391)
Area	756 square kilometers
Biogeographic Features	<ul> <li>Dinagat Island is one of the major islands in the province of Surigao del Norte.</li> <li>It has a rugged topograohy along the eastern portion and dominated by a number of peaks including Mount Cambinlow (940 meters above sea level), Mount Redondo (1020 masl), Mount Palhi (770 masl) and Mount Tristan (616 masl)</li> </ul>
Flora	<ul> <li>The area is famous for its mettalurgical-grid chromites, Philippine ironwood (locally knwon as "magkono" or "mancono")</li> </ul>
Fauna	- It is known for its rich fishing grounds.
Livelihood Resources	- Majority of the households depend on farming, fishing and mining.
Other Matters of Significance	