

GORGONA ISLAND

It is the smallest and most northern of the islands of the Tuscan archipelago, just over two square kilometers of rock beaten by the sea.

Gorgona has been home to a penal colony for many centuries and has remained unspoiled thanks mainly to severe rules regulating access to the island because of the prison.

A natural paradise, entirely mountainous and almost completely covered with lush vegetation, the island which today is inhabited exclusively by the prisoners and their guards boasts roman remains, a colorful history and an incredible natural heritage that counts over 415 plant species and numerous bird wildlife.

Built in the middle ages, one can visit important defense military structures like the fortress and the old tower.

It is possible to visit Gorgona in a group and with a guide, on specified days and upon reservation. Information can be requested from the Island of Gorgona Natural Park Cooperative, phone number 011-39-0586-895206.