

# WANTED!

## Gilthead bream information

### How can you help?\*

*If you are fishing to catch & release:*

- Submit records of individuals/tag sightings

*If you are fishing to retain for consumption:*

- Save fish heads
- Save scale samples
- Save gut contents

\*See overleaf for more details



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### Why?

Over the last few decades gilthead bream are being caught more frequently in southern areas of the UK.

It is important to understand the reasons behind the movement of this species. This will help us to keep the population healthy, and try to understand any potential impacts this new arrival could be having on other species.

### Contact

Please contact Jen Lewis for more information, or if you would like to be involved with the project:

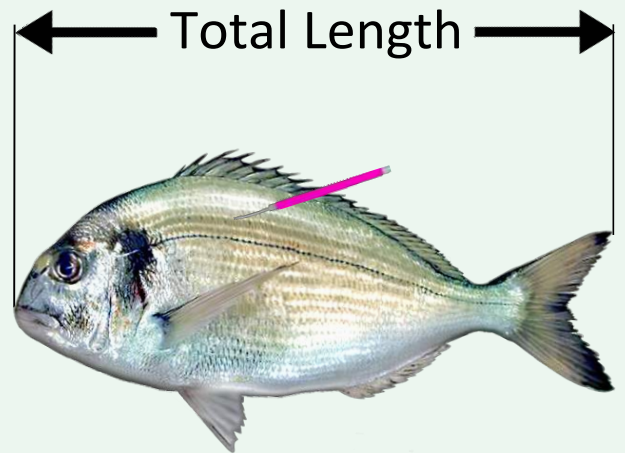
[jen.lewis@exeter.ac.uk](mailto:jen.lewis@exeter.ac.uk)

# Recording sightings and saving samples

## Records of individuals

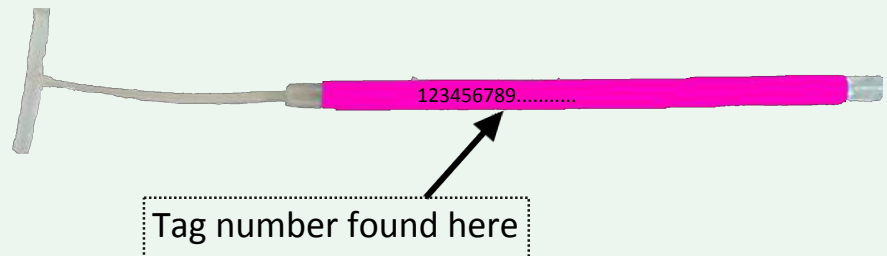
Useful information:

- Length (total length)
- Weight (ungutted)
- Location (coordinates if possible)
- Photo



## Tagged individuals

Tags will be attached to individuals as indicated above. Please record the same information as with individuals, including details of the tag number. Colour may vary.



## Samples to save if fishing for consumption:

### Scales, fish heads and gut samples

If you are fishing for consumption, information about the individual fish should be recorded as above. Samples of (uncooked!) heads/guts should be frozen in separate, labelled sealed bags. Please do not collect scale samples from catch & release individuals.

Contact Jen Lewis for more information, to be provided with detailed instructions and kit for saving samples (from fish caught for consumption) and to arrange collection of samples.