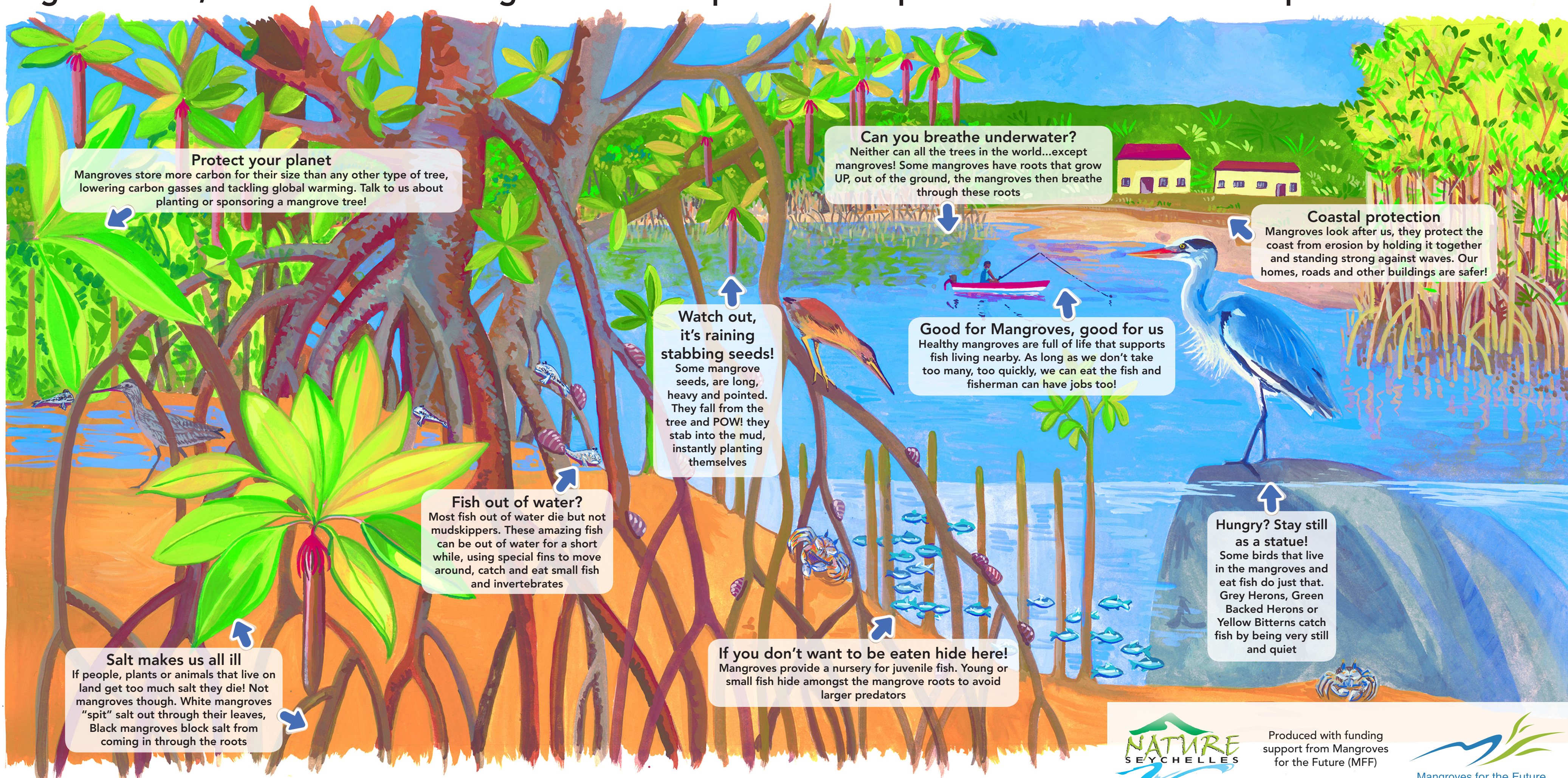


Marvellous Mangroves

Healthy mangroves are full of life, some of which is really amazing - walking land fish, tree climbing snails, crabs with giant claws, to name a few. Mangroves also help us and the places we live. Look at the picture to find out how



Protect your planet
Mangroves store more carbon for their size than any other type of tree, lowering carbon gasses and tackling global warming. Talk to us about planting or sponsoring a mangrove tree!

Can you breathe underwater?
Neither can all the trees in the world...except mangroves! Some mangroves have roots that grow UP, out of the ground, the mangroves then breathe through these roots

Coastal protection
Mangroves look after us, they protect the coast from erosion by holding it together and standing strong against waves. Our homes, roads and other buildings are safer!

Watch out, it's raining stabbing seeds!
Some mangrove seeds, are long, heavy and pointed. They fall from the tree and POW! they stab into the mud, instantly planting themselves

Good for Mangroves, good for us
Healthy mangroves are full of life that supports fish living nearby. As long as we don't take too many, too quickly, we can eat the fish and fisherman can have jobs too!

Hungry? Stay still as a statue!
Some birds that live in the mangroves and eat fish do just that. Grey Herons, Green Backed Herons or Yellow Bitterns catch fish by being very still and quiet

Fish out of water?
Most fish out of water die but not mudskippers. These amazing fish can be out of water for a short while, using special fins to move around, catch and eat small fish and invertebrates

Salt makes us all ill
If people, plants or animals that live on land get too much salt they die! Not mangroves though. White mangroves "spit" salt out through their leaves, Black mangroves block salt from coming in through the roots

If you don't want to be eaten hide here!
Mangroves provide a nursery for juvenile fish. Young or small fish hide amongst the mangrove roots to avoid larger predators



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