

## GREY MANGROVE

*Avicennia marina*



Mangroves are halophytes - plants that live in salt water. Mangroves get air from respiratory roots and excrete salt from the under-side of their leaves.

Mangroves are a critical part of coastal ecosystems providing shelter for fish, shrimp, crab, shells, barnacles and other species.

**EAD maintains a network of protected areas throughout Abu Dhabi to preserve ecosystems including species such as the mangrove.**

Grey mangrove range from the Maldives in the East to the African coasts in the West and from the Arabian Gulf in the North to South Africa.

