The MAGURA (Maritime Autonomous Guard Unmanned Robotic Apparatus) is a family of next-generation Ukrainian multi-purpose unmanned surface vessels (USVs) created by domestic experts. These high-speed and maneuverable platforms are capable of performing a wide range of operations at sea, fundamentally changing combat tactics and providing effective deterrence against the aggressor in the Black Sea.

The MAGURA is designed for various tactical tasks, making it a versatile tool for naval defense. Apart from the precise destruction of ships and aerial targets, these vessels can be used for surveillance and reconnaissance, maritime patrolling, vessel protection, mine countermeasures, rescue and firefighting operations, and cargo deliveries. Equipped with machine gun modules, short-range anti-aircraft missiles, or other weapons, these USVs can cover significant distances, navigating with high accuracy, adapting to operational needs, and operating under intense electronic interference.

The combat effectiveness of MAGURA vessels has been proved in real operations conducted by the Main Intelligence Directorate of Ukraine's Defense Ministry (HUR). For the first time in history, HUR's naval drones destroyed enemy warships, inflicting irreparable losses on the russian Black Sea Fleet. Among the confirmed targets struck are: The missile corvette



"Ivanovets," the landing crafts D-295 "Akula" and D-144 "Sierna," the large landing ship "Tsezar Kunikov," the high-speed patrol boat KS-701 "Tuniets," two high-speed RIF-75 patrol boats, and the patrol ship "Sergey Kotov", which had a Ka-29 helicopter on board.

The evolution of the system has also seen the drones master the airspace above them. On 31 December 2024, a MAGURA V5 naval drone destroyed two russian Mi-8 helicopters in the Black Sea, and damaged a third. Then, in May 2025, a drone piloted by soldiers from the HUR's Group 13 unit conducted an operation to destroy two enemy Su-30 fighter jets. These actions have pushed the invader out of Ukraine's territorial waters and made it impossible for russian aviation to operate over the Black Sea, fundamentally changing the course of the war at sea.

The MAGURA is an innovative development by Ukrainian drone experts that has gone down in the history of national resistance as a symbol of new tactics and the ability to counter the enemy. Its element is the sea. Its nature is warlike. Its goal is a free Ukraine!

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