



Coquet to St Mary's Marine Conservation Zone (MCZ)

The Coquet to St Mary's MCZ covers over 40km of coastline from Alnmouth down to Whitley Bay, extends approximately 7.5km out to sea at its greatest extent.



19,188
Hectares

REASON FOR DESIGNATION:



Seabird
Assemblage



Breeding
Seabirds



Wintering
Birds



Intertidal
Habitats



Subtidal
Habitats



Grey
Seal



Fish

The rock, muds, and sands of the Coquet to St Mary's MCZ form a nationally important mosaic of habitats which support a rich marine-life including, sponges, anemones, burrowing bivalves, bristle-worms, urchins, cetaceans and seabirds.

The site is notified for:

- > High energy infralittoral rock
- > High energy intertidal rock
- > Intertidal coarse sediment
- > Intertidal mixed sediments
- > Intertidal mud
- > Intertidal sand and muddy sand
- > Intertidal under boulder communities
- > Low energy intertidal rock

- > Moderate energy circalittoral rock
- > Moderate energy infralittoral rock
- > Moderate energy intertidal rock
- > Peat and clay exposures
- > Subtidal coarse sediment
- > Subtidal mixed sediments
- > Subtidal mud
- > Subtidal sand

MORE INFORMATION:

<http://www.xbordercurrents.co.uk/mpas/coquet-to-st-marys-mcz/>