

Farne Islands Special Protection Area (SPA)

The Farne Islands are a group of low-lying islands 2-6 km off the coast of Northumberland.



101 Hectares

REASON FOR DESIGNATION:



Seabird Assemblage



Breeding Seabirds



Wintering Birds



Intertida Habitats



Subtidal Habitats





Fish

The site is designated for its breeding populations of:

- > Arctic tern
- > Common tern
- > Sandwich tern
- > Roseate tern*
- > Common guillemot

*have not bred on the site in recent years

The site regularly supports over **163,000 individual breeding birds**including nationally important numbers of:

> Puffin

- > European shag
- > Cormorant
- > Black-legged kittiwake

The breeding birds of the Farne Islands use the adjacent Northumberland Marine SPA for foraging.

MORE INFORMATION: