# **Foreland**

Marine Conservation Zone (MCZ)





### Fact file

This area extends along the middle of the Channel between Kent and France, at the end of a geomorphological feature that evidences the megaflood which separated England from the rest of mainland Europe.

The seabed has deeply gouged channels where the flood water broke through. The area also contains rocky habitats, as well as impressive sand wave features where sandeels and weaver fish dart in and out of the sand and hermit crabs scuttle across the surface. Commercially valuable crustaceans such as lobsters and crabs shelter in this area.

This area of seabed, lying beneath the crosschannel ferry routes and above the channel tunnel, has an unusual complexity which

supports distinctive communities of wildlife.

#### Location



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244km²
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# Help us to protect our seas

UK seas have the potential to be some of the most wildlife rich on Earth, but ambitious protection is needed to reverse the decades of decline.

Great progress has been made in securing protected areas at sea but there's still work to be done.

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"The designation of the third tranche of Marine Conservation Zones has given us an amazing opportunity to protect our marine wildlife and habitats for future generations. We now have 91 MCZs which is great news, but to help our seas recover we also need the Government to implement proper management and monitoring of these sites."

Joan Edwards
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