# South of Celtic Deep Marine Conservation Zone (MCZ)





## Fact file

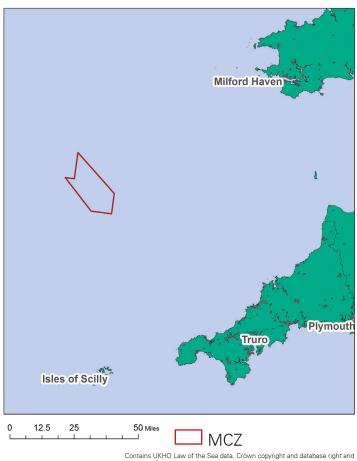
The South of Celtic Deep MCZ is an offshore site located off the coast of Cornwall. The depth of the site varies between 50 to 100 metres meaning that very little sunlight reaches the seabed.

Anemones can be found along the edge of the continental shelf and hermit crabs dominate areas of coarse sediment on the seafloor.

South of Celtic Deep is of particular importance as it contains a variety of important habitats, ranging from rocky to sandy habitats. The site has ecological importance as a spawning and nursery area for many fish species, and has been identified as being at high risk of damage or degredation.

Designation of this site makes an important contribution towards acheiving protection targets for subtidal coarse sediment and subtidal sand, and increases the much needed connectivity of these sediment habitats across the network of MCZs.

### Location



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### **Marine Conservation Zones**



South of Celtic Deep 278km<sup>2</sup>

Marine Conservation Zone (MCZ)

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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 Director of Living Seas & Public Affairs The Wildlife Trusts

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