#### **The Seashore Code**

Help protect Devon's special coastline by following the Seashore Code every time you go rockpooling.



#### Right way up!

Enjoy looking under rocks but always replace them carefully, just how you found them.



#### One at a time

Always put seawater in your bucket first and no more than one creature at a time.



#### No nets!

Be gentle catching animals in rockpools – use your hands, not nets.



#### Put me back

Many animals have special homes so always return them to where they were found.



#### Watch your step!

Take care not to damage seashore creatures underfoot or by pulling them off rocks.



#### Be safe; be kind

Check tide times, avoid dangerous cliffs and slippery rocks, and always take your litter home.

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Atlantic grey seal. Photo: Paul Naylor, www.marin

# Welcome to Wembury



Wembury in South Devon is a magnet for wildlife – its rocky cliffs are home to nesting seabirds and the rocky shore, slate reefs and massive wave-cut platforms provide one of the United Kingdom's best spots for marine life. Wembury and the surrounding coastline form a Marine Conservation Area (MCA), a Special Area of Conservation (SAC), a Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI) and form part of the South Devon Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB). These go some way to shielding it from human pressures.

Managed by Devon Wildlife Trust, Wembury Marine Centre is the ideal place to learn about the surrounding marine environment and its wildlife through regular rockpool and snorkel safaris, school visits and other marine-themed events. The Centre also explains the part you can play in protecting your local marine environment, following The Wildlife Trusts' Living Seas strategy.

Visit **www.wemburymarinecentre.org** or email **info@wemburymarinecentre.org** to find out more about our Living Seas work and for details of our events or school bookings.

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## **Devon Wildlife Trust's**

Guide to common seaweeds and rocky shore species





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### Guide to **Common seaweeds**

**Coral Weed** 



Cladophora rupestris

Gutweed Ulva intestinalis



Sea lettuce Ulva lactuca







**Bladder wrack** Fucus vesiculosus

### Guide to Rocky shore animals





**Beadlet anemone** Actinia equina



Dog whelk

Shore crab

Shanny

Lipophrys pholis

**Cushion starfish** 

Asterina gibbosa

**Common limpet** 

Patella vulgata

Carcinus maenas

Nucella lapillus



Flat periwinkle Littorina obtusata

**Beadlet anemone** 

(tentacles retracted)



Velvet swimming crab Necora puber



Rock goby Gobius paganellus



Spiny starfish Marthasterias glacialis



Volcano barnacle Perforatus perforatus



**Channelled wrack** Pelvetia canaliculata

Serrated wrack

Fucus serratus

Oarweed

Laminaria digitata



**Spiral wrack** Fucus spiralis



Pepper dulse Osmundea pinnatifada











Wireweed Sargassum muticum; a non-native species



Dulse Palmaria palmata



Saccharina latissima





Laver



Porphyra umbilicalis



Polysiphonia lanosa

(found on Egg wrack)



Sugar kelp



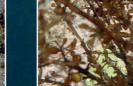


















Strawberry anemone Actinia fragacea



**Purple/Flat top shell** Steromphala umbilicalis



Edible crab Cancer pagurus



Shore clingfish Lepadogaster lepadogaster



**Common brittlestar** Ophiothrix fragilis



Common prawn Palaemon serratus



**Snakelocks anemone** Anemonia viridis



**Painted top shell** Calliostoma zizyphinum



Hermit crab Pagarus bernhardus



Worm pipefish Nerophis lumbiciformis



Green sea urchin Psammechinus miliaris



Green leaf worm Eulalia viridis

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