



Aldi UK & Ireland

Aldi is one of the fastest growing supermarket chains with over 1,000 stores in the UK and Ireland. We continue to give our customers quality goods at low prices whilst committing to the principles of responsibility and sustainability in the sourcing of our own label fish.

2020

Number of Fisheries Used	Number of Fisheries Well Managed	Number of Fisheries Managed	Number of fisheries in need of improvement	Profile not yet complete
77	39	16	9	13
Production Methods Used				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Midwater trawl • Bottom trawl 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Purse seine • FAD-free (unassociated) purse seine • Gillnets and entangling nets 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hook and line • Longlines • Handlines and pole-lines 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rake / hand gathered / hand netted • Pots and traps 	

Summary

Aldi is committed to the sustainability of the world's oceans and marine environment and we want to ensure that the catch methods used have a minimal impact on the environment so fish populations remain healthy into the future.

We want to ensure that all of the fish and seafood used in our own-label products is responsibly sourced; our approach is for continuous improvement, supporting suppliers to help fisheries achieve high sustainability scores and in joining Fishery Improvement Projects (FIPs) where required, as well as certification.

We offer independently certified products wherever possible including Marine Stewardship Council (MSC), Best Aquaculture Practices (BAP), Global Gap, and Aquaculture Stewardship Council (ASC).

We work closely with Sustainable Fisheries Partnership (SFP), who support us in rating the sustainability of fisheries in our supply chain and provide recommendations to drive continuous improvement.

We encourage our suppliers in supporting fisheries to enter FIPs to help improve fishing practices and management. We even launched our own FIP in the waters off the coast of Morocco to improve the sustainability of our canned sardines. We are doing this in collaboration with SFP, local government, and fisheries. The project aims to help fisheries along the Moroccan coast to establish sustainable fishery practices, using the MSC criteria as a benchmark.

In 2019, we sold the largest volume of MSC certified fish compared to any other UK retailer.

Our fish policy outlines our approach and we are pleased to say we are 100% responsibly sourced in our primary fresh, frozen and canned fish product categories in the UK. By the end of 2020, we aim to extend this goal to include product categories such as ready meals and food to go where fish is a component.


By the end of 2020, we also aim to be 100% responsibly sourced in our primary fresh, frozen and canned fish product categories in Ireland.

This profile covers all wild-caught seafood sourced for Aldi UK & Ireland's own-brand seafood in 2019.

<https://www.aldi.co.uk/responsibly-sourced-fish>

Associated Fisheries



Species and Location	Production Methods	Certification or Improvement Project	Sustainability Ratings	Notes
	Midwater trawl	Certified	FishSource Well Managed	▼

Alaska pollock

Theragra chalcogramma

Aleutian Islands, E
Bering Sea, Gulf of
Alaska

Fishery countries:
U.S.

Seafood Watch
Eco-Certification
Recommended

Good Fish Guide
Best Choice 1

Ocean Wise
Recommended

NOAA FSSI
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Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to have direct impacts on PET species.
- Bycatch for this fishery is considered low.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- This fish plays an important role in the marine food web and so potential impacts on the wider marine ecosystem must be monitored.



Alaska pollock

Theragra chalcogramma

Sea of Okhotsk

Fishery countries:
Russia

Midwater trawl

Certified

FishSource
Well Managed

Seafood Watch
Eco-Certification
Recommended

Good Fish Guide
Best Choice 2



Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to have direct impacts on PET species.
- Bycatch for this fishery is considered low.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- This fish plays an important role in the marine food web and so potential impacts on the wider marine ecosystem must be monitored.



Albacore

Thunnus alalunga

South Pacific

Fishery countries:
New Zealand

Longlines

Certified

FishSource
Well Managed

Seafood Watch
Eco-Certification
Recommended

Good Fish Guide
Best Choice 2



Ocean Wise
Recommended

Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to impact PET species; incidental capture of PET species by troll gear is uncommon.
- Bycatch for this fishery is considered low.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- No additional notes.



Anchoveta

Engraulis ringens

Purse seine

FIP

FishSource
Managed



Peruvian Northern-Central Artisanal

Fishery countries:

Peru

Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to have direct impacts on PET species but may impact food availability to PET species. The FIP aims to better understand the impacts of the fishery on PET species.
- Bycatch for this fishery is considered low. However, anomalous environmental conditions observed since 2013 have been associated with an increased catch of non-target species.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed. The FIP aims to better understand the impacts of the fishery on habitats.

General Notes

- This fish plays an important role in the marine food web and so potential impacts on the wider marine ecosystem must be monitored.

References

[Fishery Progress, Peruvian anchovy – small scale purse-seine](#)



Argentine red shrimp

Pleoticus muelleri

Bottom trawl

Not certified or in a FIP

FishSource
Managed

Seafood Watch
Avoid

Ocean Wise
Not recommended



Patagonian: Argentina offshore industrial

Fishery countries:

Argentina

Environmental Notes

- There are risks to sharks and rays with this fishery.
- Bycatch of hake is a risk with this fishery.
- Bottom trawls directly impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- No additional notes.



Argentine shortfin squid

Illex argentinus

SW Atlantic:
Bonaerense/North
(BNPS)

Fishery countries:
Argentina

Bottom trawl

Not certified or in
a FIP

FishSource
Needs Improvement



Environmental Notes

- There is a lack of information on interactions with PET species in this fishery.
- There is a lack of information on bycatch for this fishery.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- No additional notes.



Atlantic cod

Gadus morhua

Barents Sea

Fishery countries:
Faroe Islands

Bottom trawl

Certified

FishSource
Well Managed

Seafood Watch
Eco-Certification
Recommended

Good Fish Guide
Best Choice 2

Ocean Wise
Not recommended



Environmental Notes

- There are concerns about the cumulative impacts of the fishery upon the endangered species, golden redfish.
- There is bycatch for this fishery but non-target species are retained. Management measures are in place to reduce impacts on retained species.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- No additional notes.



Atlantic cod

Gadus morhua

Barents Sea

Fishery countries:
Faroe Islands, Greenland

Bottom trawl

Not certified or in
a FIP

FishSource
Well Managed

Good Fish Guide
Best Choice 2



Environmental Notes

- There are risks to seabirds and marine mammals with this fishery, but there are mitigation measures in place.
- There is bycatch for this fishery but non-target species are retained. Management measures are in place to reduce impacts on retained species.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- No additional notes.

 Atlantic cod <i>Gadus morhua</i> Barents Sea Fishery countries: Norway	Longlines	Certified	FishSource Well Managed Seafood Watch Eco-Certification Recommended Ocean Wise Recommended	▼
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Environmental Notes

- Catch of the endangered species golden redfish is a concern. Although catch of the species in this fishery is very low, cumulative impacts across fisheries operating in the region may occur.
- There is bycatch for this fishery but non-target species are retained. Management measures are in place to reduce impacts on retained species.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

References

[DNV GL, 2015, Re-Assessment Report: MSC Public Certification Report for the Norway North East Arctic cod and haddock fishery](#)

 Atlantic cod <i>Gadus morhua</i> Barents Sea Fishery countries: Norway	Bottom trawl	Certified	FishSource Well Managed Seafood Watch Eco-Certification Recommended Good Fish Guide Best Choice 2 Ocean Wise Recommended	▼
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Environmental Notes

- Catch of the endangered species golden redfish is a concern. Although catch of the species in this fishery is very low, cumulative impacts across fisheries operating in the region may occur.
- There is bycatch for this fishery but non-target species are retained. Management measures are in place to reduce impacts on retained species.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

References

[DNV GL, 2015, Re-Assessment Report: MSC Public Certification Report for the Norway North East Arctic cod and haddock fishery](#)

 Atlantic cod <i>Gadus morhua</i> Barents Sea Fishery countries: Russia	Bottom trawl	Certified	FishSource Well Managed Seafood Watch Eco-Certification Recommended Good Fish Guide Best Choice 2 Ocean Wise Recommended	▼
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Environmental Notes

- There are risks to seabirds and marine mammals with this fishery, but there are mitigation measures in place.
- There is bycatch for this fishery but non-target species are retained. Management measures are in place to reduce impacts on retained species.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- No additional notes.

 Atlantic cod <i>Gadus morhua</i> Icelandic Fishery countries: Iceland	Bottom trawl	Not certified or in a FIP	FishSource Well Managed	▼
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Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to have direct impacts on PET species.
- There is bycatch for this fishery but non-target species are retained. Management measures are in place to reduce impacts on retained species.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- No additional notes.

 Atlantic cod <i>Gadus morhua</i> Icelandic Fishery countries: Iceland	Bottom trawl	Certified	FishSource Well Managed Seafood Watch Eco-Certification Recommended	▼
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Good Fish Guide
Best Choice 1

Ocean Wise
Recommended

Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to have direct impacts on PET species.
- There is bycatch for this fishery but non-target species are retained. Management measures are in place to reduce impacts on retained species.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- No additional notes.



Atlantic cod
Gadus morhua

Bottom trawl

**Not certified or in
a FIP**

FishSource
Needs Improvement

Good Fish Guide
Avoid 5



North Sea

Fishery countries:
U.K.

Environmental Notes

- This fishery interacts with harbour porpoise and grey seals.
- Cod is caught in a mixed fishery. Discarding of small and juvenile fish occurs.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- No additional notes.



Atlantic herring
Clupea harengus

Midwater trawl

Certified

FishSource
Well Managed

Seafood Watch
Eco-Certification
Recommended

Good Fish Guide
Best Choice 2

Ocean Wise
Recommended



**North Sea Autumn
spawners**

Fishery countries:
U.K.

Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to impact PET species.
- Bycatch for this fishery is considered low.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- No additional notes.



Atlantic mackerel

Scomber scombrus

Midwater trawl

Certified

FishSource
Well Managed



NE Atlantic

Fishery countries:

Faroe Islands

Environmental Notes

- There are risks to PET species with this fishery, but there is insufficient data available to assess significance.
- Bycatch in this fishery is considered low.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- The MSC certificate for this fishery was publicly suspended in March 2019 (after this product was sourced) due to concerns regarding overfishing.



Atlantic mackerel

Scomber scombrus

Midwater trawl

Certified

FishSource
Well Managed



NE Atlantic

Fishery countries:

Ireland, U.K.

Good Fish Guide
Best Choice 2

Ocean Wise
Recommended

Environmental Notes

- There are risks to PET species with this fishery, but there is insufficient data available to assess significance.
- Bycatch in this fishery is considered low.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- The MSC certificate for this fishery was publicly suspended in March 2019 (after this product was sourced) due to concerns regarding overfishing.



Atlantic mackerel

Scomber scombrus

Handlines and
pole-lines

Certified

FishSource
Managed



NE Atlantic

Fishery countries:

U.K.

Ocean Wise
Not recommended

Environmental Notes

- There is a lack of information regarding impacts of mechanized lines on PET species for this fishery.
- Bycatch in this fishery is considered low.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- No additional notes.



Edible crab

Cancer pagurus

Pots and traps

FIP

Good Fish Guide

Think 3



Celtic Sea

Fishery countries:

U.K.

Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to impact PET species.
- Bycatch in this fishery is likely to be low.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- This fishery is part of the [United Kingdom brown crab and European lobster – pot/trap FIP](#).



Edible crab

Cancer pagurus

Pots and traps

FIP

Good Fish Guide

Think 3



Orkney

Fishery countries:

U.K.

Environmental Notes

- There are risks to sea turtles and marine mammals of entanglement in pot ropes with this fishery, although the significance of this risk is unknown.
- Bycatch for this fishery is considered low. Non-target species are usually released alive.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- No additional notes.



Edible crab

Cancer pagurus

Pots and traps

FIP

Good Fish Guide

Think 3



SW Ireland

Fishery countries:

Ireland

Environmental Notes

- Profile not yet complete.

General Notes

- No additional notes.



European hake
Merluccius merluccius

NE Atlantic northern stock

Fishery countries:
Ireland

Bottom trawl

Not certified or in a FIP

FishSource
Needs Improvement

Good Fish Guide
Best Choice 2



Environmental Notes

- There is a lack of information on interactions with PET species in this fishery.
- Bycatch is a risk for this fishery.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- No additional notes.



European hake
Merluccius merluccius

NE Atlantic northern stock

Fishery countries:
Ireland

Gillnets and entangling nets

Not certified or in a FIP

FishSource
Needs Improvement

Good Fish Guide
Best Choice 2



Environmental Notes

- The gillnet fishery poses a risk to marine mammals.
- Bycatch is a risk for this fishery.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- No additional notes.



European hake
Merluccius merluccius

NE Atlantic northern stock

Fishery countries:
Ireland

Hook and line

Not certified or in a FIP

FishSource
Needs Improvement

Good Fish Guide
Best Choice 2



Environmental Notes

- The line fishery presents a risk to sharks and seabirds.
- Bycatch is a risk for this fishery.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- No additional notes.



European pilchard

Sardina pilchardus

Purse seine

FIP

FishSource
Managed



NW Africa central

Fishery countries:

Morocco

Environmental Notes

- Available data is still limited, but work is underway in the Moroccan FIP to determine fishery interactions with PET species.
- Bycatch in this fishery is considered low, but available data is still limited. Work is in progress in the Moroccan FIP to identify and quantify discards.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- This fishery is covered by the [Morocco sardine – pelagic trawl and seine FIP](#).
- This fish plays an important role in the marine food web and so potential impacts on the wider marine ecosystem must be monitored.



European plaice

Pleuronectes platessa

Bottom trawl

Not certified or in
a FIP

FishSource
Well Managed

Good Fish Guide
Best Choice 2



North Sea and
Skagerrak

Fishery countries:

Netherlands

Environmental Notes

- Catches of sharks and rays are sometimes reported.
- Bycatch is a risk for this fishery.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

References

[MCS's Good Fish Guide – Plaice, North East Atlantic, North Sea, Skagerrak](#)



European sprat

Sprattus sprattus

Midwater trawl

Not certified or in
a FIP

FishSource
Needs Improvement

Good Fish Guide
Think 3



English channel

Fishery countries:

U.K.

Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to have direct impacts on PET species.

- Bycatch for this fishery is considered low.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- This fish plays an important role in the marine food web and so potential impacts on the wider marine ecosystem must be monitored.



Great Atlantic scallop
Pecten maximus

Dredge

Not certified or in a FIP

Good Fish Guide
Think 4



Northern Ireland

Fishery countries:
U.K.

Environmental Notes

- Profile not yet complete.
- Bycatch is a risk for this fishery.
- Dredges will directly impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- No additional notes.



Haddock
Melanogrammus aeglefinus

Bottom trawl

Certified

FishSource
Well Managed

Seafood Watch
Eco-Certification
Recommended

Good Fish Guide
Best Choice 2

Ocean Wise
Recommended



Barents Sea

Fishery countries:
Faroe Islands

Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to impact PET species.
- All fish caught must be retained, recorded and landed.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- No additional notes.



Haddock
Melanogrammus aeglefinus

Bottom trawl
Longlines

Certified

FishSource
Well Managed

Seafood Watch
Eco-Certification
Recommended



Barents Sea

Fishery countries:
Norway

Good Fish Guide
Best Choice 2

Ocean Wise
Recommended

Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to impact PET species.
- Bycatch for this fishery is considered low.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

References

[DNV GL, March 2020, MSC 4th Surveillance Report for the Norway North East Arctic cod and haddock fisheries](#)



Haddock

Melanogrammus aeglefinus

Barents Sea

Fishery countries:
Norway

Gillnets and
entangling nets
Hook and line

Certified

FishSource
Well Managed

Seafood Watch
Eco-Certification
Recommended

Ocean Wise
Recommended



Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to impact PET species.
- Bycatch for this fishery is considered low.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

References

[DNV GL, March 2020, MSC 4th Surveillance Report for the Norway North East Arctic cod and haddock fisheries](#)



Haddock

Melanogrammus aeglefinus

Barents Sea

Fishery countries:
Russia

Bottom trawl

**Not certified or in
a FIP**

FishSource
Managed



Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to impact PET species.
- Bycatch of spotted wolffish and golden redfish is a concern for this fishery.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- No additional notes.



Haddock

Melanogrammus aeglefinus

Barents Sea

Fishery countries:
Russia

Bottom trawl

Certified

FishSource
Well Managed

Seafood Watch
Eco-Certification
Recommended

Good Fish Guide
Best Choice 2

Ocean Wise
Recommended



Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to impact PET species.
- Bycatch for this fishery is considered low.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

References

[DNV GL, April 2019, MSC Re assessment of the Russian Federation Barents Sea cod, haddock and saithe fishery](#)

[Lloyd's Register, September 2019, MSC 3rd Surveillance Report for Barents Sea cod, haddock and saithe fishery](#)



Haddock

Melanogrammus aeglefinus

Icelandic

Fishery countries:
Iceland

Bottom trawl

Not certified or in
a FIP

FishSource
Managed



Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to impact PET species.
- Bycatch for this fishery is considered low.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed. Measures to protect vulnerable habitats such as cold water coral reefs are in place.

General Notes

- No additional notes.



Haddock

Melanogrammus aeglefinus

Bottom trawl

Certified

FishSource
Well Managed

Seafood Watch



Icelandic

Fishery countries:
Iceland

Eco-Certification
Recommended

Good Fish Guide
Best Choice 2

Ocean Wise
Recommended

Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to impact PET species.
- Bycatch for this fishery is considered low.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed. Measures to protect vulnerable habitats such as cold water coral reefs are in place.

General Notes

- No additional notes.



Haddock

*Melanogrammus
aeglefinus*

Bottom trawl

**Not certified or in
a FIP**

Good Fish Guide
Best Choice 2



Irish Sea

Fishery countries:
U.K.

Environmental Notes

- There is a moderate risk to PET species including sharks, skates and rays.
- Irish Sea cod may be caught as bycatch in this fishery.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

References

[Good Fish Guide – Haddock, Demersal otter trawl, Irish Sea](#)



Haddock

*Melanogrammus
aeglefinus*

Bottom trawl

**Not certified or in
a FIP**

FishSource
Managed



Northern shelf

Fishery countries:
Ireland

Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to impact PET species.
- There is bycatch for this fishery but management measures are in place to reduce impacts on retained species.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- As a mixed fishery, the effects of management measures on other species need to be considered within an ecosystem context.

 <p>Haddock <i>Melanogrammus aeglefinus</i></p> <p>Northern shelf</p> <p>Fishery countries: U.K.</p>	<p>Bottom trawl</p>	<p>Certified</p>	<p>FishSource Well Managed</p> <p>Seafood Watch Eco-Certification Recommended</p> <p>Good Fish Guide Best Choice 2</p> <p>Ocean Wise Not recommended</p>	<p>▼</p>
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Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to impact PET species.
- There is bycatch for this fishery but management measures are in place to reduce impacts on retained species.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed. But, the fishery is considered highly unlikely to irreparably reduce habitat structure and function.

General Notes

- As a mixed fishery, the effects of management measures on other species need to be considered within an ecosystem context.

 <p>Haddock <i>Melanogrammus aeglefinus</i></p> <p>Southern Celtic Seas and English Channel</p> <p>Fishery countries: Ireland</p>	<p>Bottom trawl</p>	<p>Not certified or in a FIP</p>	<p>FishSource Needs Improvement</p>	<p>▼</p>
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Environmental Notes

- There is no information available on the impact of this fishery on PET species.
- Bycatch is a risk for this fishery.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- As a mixed fishery, the effects of management measures on other species need to be considered within an ecosystem context.

 <p>Japanese flying squid <i>Todarodes pacificus</i></p> <p>East China Sea and Japan Sea</p> <p>Fishery countries:</p>	<p>Midwater trawl</p>	<p>FIP</p>	<p>Sustainability not rated</p>	<p>▼</p>
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Environmental Notes

- There is no information on the impact of this fishery on protected, endangered and threatened (PET) species.
- Information on bycatch is not available for this fishery.
- The midwater trawl fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed, however, the combined impacts from the multi-gear fishery are unknown.

General Notes

There is a lack of information on stock status and mortality rates for Japanese flying squid in Chinese waters.

References

[Fishery Progress, East China Sea and Yellow Sea Japanese flying squid – trawl](#)



Jumbo flying squid

Dosidicus gigas

Hook and line

FIP

SE Pacific

Fishery countries:

Peru

Seafood Watch
Good Alternative

Good Fish Guide
Think 4



Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to impact PET species.
- Bycatch in this fishery is considered low.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

References

[FisheryProgress – Peru jumbo flying squid – jig](#)



Jumbo flying squid

Dosidicus gigas

Hook and line

Not certified or in
a FIP

SE Pacific – SE Pacific
High Seas

Fishery countries:

China

Seafood Watch
Good Alternative

Good Fish Guide
Think 4

Ocean Wise
Recommended



Environmental Notes

- Profile not yet complete.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- No additional notes.



Certified

FishSource
Well Managed



Lyrate hard clam

Meretrix lyrata

Ben Tre, Vietnam

Fishery countries:
Vietnam

Rake / hand
gathered / hand
netted

Seafood Watch
Eco-Certification
Recommended

Ocean Wise
Recommended

Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to have direct impacts on PET species.
- Bycatch for this fishery is considered low.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- No additional notes.



Megrim

*Lepidorhombus
whiffiagonis*

English Channel and
Celtic Sea

Fishery countries:
U.K.

Bottom trawl

Not certified or in
a FIP

FishSource
Needs Improvement

Good Fish Guide
Think 3



Environmental Notes

- There are risks to PET species with this fishery but there is insufficient data available to assess significance.
- Bycatch is a risk for this fishery.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- No additional notes.



North Pacific hake

Merluccius productus

NE Pacific

Fishery countries:
U.S.

Midwater trawl

Certified

FishSource
Well Managed

Seafood Watch
Eco-Certification
Recommended

Ocean Wise
Recommended



Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to impact PET species.
- Bycatch in this fishery is considered low.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- No additional notes.

 <p>Northern prawn <i>Pandalus borealis</i></p> <p>Barents Sea</p> <p>Fishery countries: Estonia</p>	Bottom trawl	Certified	<p>FishSource Well Managed</p> <p>Seafood Watch Eco-Certification Recommended</p> <p>Good Fish Guide Best Choice 1</p> <p>Ocean Wise Recommended</p>	▼
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Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to impact PET species.
- Bycatch in this fishery is considered low.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- This species plays an important role in the marine food web and so potential impacts on the wider marine ecosystem must be monitored.


 <p>Northern prawn <i>Pandalus borealis</i></p> <p>Icelandic offshore</p> <p>Fishery countries: Iceland</p>	Bottom trawl	Certified	<p>FishSource Well Managed</p> <p>Seafood Watch Eco-Certification Recommended</p> <p>Ocean Wise Recommended</p>	▼
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Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to have direct impacts on PET species. While halibut is landed by the offshore fleet, regulations are in place to manage impacts on the species. No interactions with any other PET species are thought to occur.
- Management measures are in place to reduce impacts on bycatch species. The most commonly caught bycatch species are cod and Greenland halibut. Fishing area closures are implemented if catches of small redfish, cod or halibut exceed thresholds.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed, however, this fishery is considered highly unlikely to have an irreversible impact on habitat structure and function.

General Notes

- This species plays an important role in the marine food web and so potential impacts on the wider marine ecosystem must be monitored.

 <p>Northern prawn <i>Pandalus borealis</i></p> <p>Western Greenland</p>	Bottom trawl	Certified	<p>FishSource Well Managed</p> <p>Seafood Watch</p>	▼
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Fishery countries:
Greenland

Eco-Certification
Recommended

Good Fish Guide
Best Choice 2

Ocean Wise
Recommended

Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to impact PET species.
- Bycatch for this fishery is considered low.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- This species plays an important role in the marine food web and so potential impacts on the wider marine ecosystem must be monitored.



FishSource
Managed

Northern prawn
Pandalus borealis

Bottom trawl

Not certified or in
a FIP



**Western Greenland –
Canada Division 0A**

Fishery countries:
Canada

Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to impact PET species.
- Bycatch for this fishery is considered low.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- This fish plays an important role in the marine food web and so potential impacts on the wider marine ecosystem must be monitored.



FishSource
Well Managed

Seafood Watch
Eco-Certification
Recommended

Ocean Wise
Recommended

Northern prawn
Pandalus borealis

Bottom trawl

Certified



**Atlantic Canada: SFAs
1-3, 5**

Fishery countries:
Canada

Environmental Notes

- There are risks to seabirds with this fishery, but there is insufficient data available to assess significance.
- Bycatch of non-target species is considered low and mitigation measures are in place.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

This species plays an important role in the marine food web and so potential impacts on the wider marine ecosystem must be monitored.

References

[Seafood Risk Assessment for Sourcing Seafood \(RASS\) – Northern shrimp \(Pandalus borealis\), multiple profiles.](#)



Northern prawn

Pandalus borealis

Atlantic Canada: SFA
9 (Gulf of St Lawrence
Anticosti)

Fishery countries:
Canada

Bottom trawl

Certified

FishSource
Well Managed

Seafood Watch
Eco-Certification
Recommended



Environmental Notes

- Bycatch of ETP species is low. This fishery interacts with spotted wolffish and northern wolffish, but the fishery is not thought to jeopardise survival or recovery of these two species.
- Bycatch for this fishery is considered low.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the seabed. It is thought unlikely that this fishery will cause serious harm to identified sensitive areas.

General Notes

References

[Lloyds Register, March 2020, MSC Final Public Report for Gulf of St Lawrence Northern shrimp trawl](#)



Norway lobster

Nephrops norvegicus

Firth of Clyde, North
Minch, South Minch

Fishery countries:
U.K.

Bottom trawl

FIP

FishSource
Needs Improvement

Seafood Watch
Avoid

Good Fish Guide
Think 3

Ocean Wise
Not recommended



Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to impact PET species.
- Bycatch is a risk for this fishery.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

References

[Fishery Progress – UK Norway lobster – bottom trawl and creel](#)



Norway lobster

Nephrops norvegicus

Bottom trawl

Not certified or in
a FIP

Good Fish Guide
Think 4



Labadie

Fishery countries:
Ireland

Environmental Notes

- There is no information about the impact of this fishery on PET species.
- Bycatch is a risk for this fishery.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- No additional notes.



Pacific cod

Gadus macrocephalus

Bottom trawl

Certified

FishSource
Well Managed

Seafood Watch
Eco-Certification
Recommended



Aleutian Islands

Fishery countries:
U.S.

NOAA FSSI
1.5

Environmental Notes

- There are risks to seabirds and marine mammals with this fishery, but there are mitigation measures in place.
- Bycatch for this fishery is considered low.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed. However, management measures are in place.

General Notes

- Concerns about low stock led to the closure of the Alaskan Pacific cod fishery for 2020 (after the reporting period).



Pacific cod

Gadus macrocephalus

Bottom trawl

Certified

FishSource
Well Managed

Seafood Watch
Eco-Certification
Recommended



Eastern Bering Sea

Fishery countries:
U.S.

NOAA FSSI
4

Environmental Notes

- There are risks to seabirds and marine mammals with this fishery, but there are mitigation measures in place.
- Bycatch for this fishery is considered low.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed. However, management measures are in place.

General Notes

- Concerns about low stock led to the closure of the Alaskan Pacific cod fishery for 2020 (after the reporting period).



Certified

FishSource



Bottom trawl

Pacific cod

Gadus macrocephalus

Gulf of Alaska

Fishery countries:
U.S.

Well Managed



Seafood Watch
Eco-Certification
Recommended

Ocean Wise
Recommended

NOAA FSSI
3

Environmental Notes

- There are risks to seabirds and marine mammals with this fishery, but there are mitigation measures in place.
- Bycatch for this fishery is considered low.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed. However, management measures are in place.

General Notes

- Concerns about low stock led to the closure of the Alaskan Pacific cod fishery for 2020 (after the reporting period).



Patagonian scallop

Zygochlamys patagonica

Bottom trawl

Certified

Argentina

Fishery countries:
Argentina

FishSource
Well Managed



Ocean Wise
Not recommended

Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to impact PET species.
- Bycatch for this fishery is considered low.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed. However, management measures are in place.

General Notes

References

[Organizacion Internacional Agropecuaria \(OIA\), June 2017, Public Comment Draft Report for Patagonian Scallop Bottom Otter Trawl Fishery in Argentine Sea](#)



Purse seine

Certified

Pink salmon

Oncorhynchus gorbuscha

Alaska

Fishery countries:
U.S.

Gillnets and
entangling nets

FishSource
Well Managed



Seafood Watch
Eco-Certification
Recommended

Good Fish Guide
Best Choice 2

Ocean Wise

Environmental Notes

- While encounters with marine mammals and birds have been documented in this fishery, the impact on PET species is not thought to be significant.
- There is no risk of bycatch for this fishery. Catches of other salmon species are accounted for in the pink salmon management.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the benthic habitat.

General Notes

References

[MRAG Americas, April 2019, MSC 3rd Reassessment Report for Alaska Salmon Fishery.](#)



Pink salmon

Oncorhynchus gorbuscha

Pots and traps

Certified

FishSource
Well Managed

Ocean Wise
Recommended



**Russia - West
Kamchatka**

Fishery countries:

Russia

Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to impact PET species.
- Bycatch for this fishery is considered low.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the benthic habitat.

General Notes

References

[MRAG Americas, September 2016, MSC Public Certification Report for VA-Delta Kamchatka Salmon Fisheries](#)



Pouting

Trisopterus luscus

Bottom trawl

Not certified or in
a FIP

Good Fish Guide
Think 3



British waters

Fishery countries:

U.K.

Environmental Notes

- There are risks to skates and rays with this fishery.
- This fish is caught as a bycatch species of other whitefish fisheries.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- No additional notes.



Bottom trawl

Certified

FishSource
Well Managed



Saithe

Pollachius virens

Barents Sea

Fishery countries:

Russia

Ocean Wise

Recommended

Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to impact PET species.
- Bycatch for this fishery is considered low.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- No additional notes.



Saithe

Pollachius virens

Ireland

Fishery countries:

Ireland

Bottom trawl

Not certified or in
a FIP

Sustainability not
rated



Environmental Notes

- Profile not yet complete.

General Notes

- No additional notes.



Saithe

Pollachius virens

North Sea, Skagerrak,
west of Scotland and
the Rockall

Fishery countries:

U.K.

Bottom trawl

Not certified or in
a FIP

FishSource

Well Managed



Environmental Notes

- While bycatch of marine mammals may occur in this fishery, it is considered rare.
- Bycatch for this fishery is considered low.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- No additional notes.



Saithe

Gillnets and
entangling nets

Not certified or in
a FIP

FishSource

Managed



Pollachius virens

**North Sea, Skagerrak,
west of Scotland and
the Rockall**

Fishery countries:
U.K.

Environmental Notes

- The impacts of the fishery on PET species are not known.
- Bycatch for this fishery is considered low.
- The impacts of the fishery on the sea bed are not known.

General Notes

- No additional notes.



Skipjack tuna

Katsuwonus pelamis

**Eastern Atlantic
Ocean**

Fishery countries:
Ghana, Senegal

Handlines and
pole-lines

**Not certified or in
a FIP**

FishSource
Managed

Seafood Watch
Good Alternative

Good Fish Guide
Think 3

Ocean Wise
Not recommended



Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to impact PET species.
- Bycatch for this fishery is considered low.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- No additional notes.



Skipjack tuna

Katsuwonus pelamis

Eastern Pacific Ocean

Fishery countries:
Ecuador

FAD-free
(unassociated)
purse seine

**Some product
from FIP fisheries**

FishSource
Managed

Seafood Watch
Good Alternative

Good Fish Guide
Think 4

Ocean Wise
Recommended



Environmental Notes

- There are risks to sea turtles with this fishery.
- Bycatch of sharks and other fish is a risk for this fishery.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- This fishery is part of the [Eastern Pacific Ocean tropical tuna – purse seine \(OPAGAC\) FIP](#).



Skipjack tuna

Katsuwonus pelamis

Indian Ocean

Fishery countries:
Indonesia

Handlines and
pole-lines

FIP

FishSource
Well Managed

Seafood Watch
Good Alternative

Good Fish Guide
Best Choice 2

Ocean Wise
Recommended



Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to impact PET species.
- Bycatch for this fishery is considered low.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- No additional notes.



Skipjack tuna

Katsuwonus pelamis

Indian Ocean

Fishery countries:
Maldives

Handlines and
pole-lines

Certified

FishSource
Well Managed

Seafood Watch
Good Alternative

Good Fish Guide
Best Choice 1

Ocean Wise
Recommended



Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to impact PET species.
- Bycatch for this fishery is considered low.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- No additional notes.





Skipjack tuna

Katsuwonus pelamis

Western and Central
Pacific Ocean –
WCPFC

Fishery countries:
China, Philippines

FAD-free
(unassociated)
purse seine

Not certified or in
a FIP

FishSource
Managed

Seafood Watch
Good Alternative

Good Fish Guide
Think 3

Ocean Wise
Not recommended



Environmental Notes

- This fishery uses FAD-free (unassociated) purse seine gear, which results in less bycatch than associated fisheries. However, purse seine gear still present a hazard to sea turtles, marine mammals and sharks.
- This fishery uses FAD-free (unassociated) purse seine gear, which results in less bycatch than associated fisheries. However, bycatch is still a risk for this fishery.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- No additional notes.



Skipjack tuna

Katsuwonus pelamis

Western and Central
Pacific Ocean

Fishery countries:
Philippines

Purse seine

Not certified or in
a FIP

FishSource
Managed

Seafood Watch
Avoid

Good Fish Guide
Think 4

Ocean Wise
Not recommended



Environmental Notes

- The impact on PET species is unknown.
- There is a lack of information on bycatch in this fishery.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- No additional notes.



Skipjack tuna

Katsuwonus pelamis

Western and Central
Pacific Ocean –
WCPFC

Fishery countries:

Handlines and
pole-lines

FIP

FishSource
Managed

Seafood Watch
Best Choice

Good Fish Guide



Indonesia

Best Choice 2

Ocean Wise
Recommended

Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to impact PET species.
- Bycatch for this fishery is considered low.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

This fishery is part of the [Indonesia Western and Central Pacific Ocean skipjack tuna – pole and line FIP](#).



Sockeye salmon
Oncorhynchus nerka

Alaska

Fishery countries:
U.S.

Purse seine
Gillnets and
entangling nets

Certified

FishSource
Well Managed

Seafood Watch
Eco-Certification
Recommended

Good Fish Guide
Best Choice 2

Ocean Wise
Recommended



Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to impact PET species.
- Bycatch for this fishery is considered low.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the benthic habitat.

General Notes

References

[MRAG Americas, 2019, MSC 3rd Assessment Report Public Certification Report for the Alaska Salmon Fishery](#)



Whiting
Merlangius merlangus

Irish Sea; Rockall

Fishery countries:
U.K.

Bottom trawl

**Not certified or in
a FIP**

Good Fish Guide
Avoid 5



Environmental Notes

- Profile not yet complete.
- This species is caught as bycatch in other fisheries.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- No additional notes.



Whiting

Merlangius merlangus

Southern Celtic Seas and western English Channel

Fishery countries:
U.K.

Bottom trawl

Not certified or in a FIP

FishSource
Managed

Good Fish Guide
Avoid 5



Environmental Notes

- Profile not yet complete.
- Bycatch is a risk for this fishery.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- As a mixed fishery, the effects of management measures on other species need to be considered within an ecosystem context.



Whiting

Merlangius merlangus

West of Scotland

Fishery countries:
Ireland

Bottom trawl

Not certified or in a FIP

Good Fish Guide
Avoid 5



Environmental Notes

- Profile not yet complete.
- This species is caught as bycatch in other fisheries.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- No additional notes.



Yellowfin sole

Limanda aspera

Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands

Fishery countries:
U.S.

Bottom trawl

Certified

FishSource
Well Managed

Seafood Watch
Eco-Certification
Recommended

Ocean Wise
Recommended

NOAA FSSI
4



Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to impact PET species.
- Bycatch for this fishery is considered low.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

References

[MRAG Americas, 2015, MSC Public Certification Report for Bering Sea-Aleutian Islands Alaska Flatfish Fishery.](#)



Yellowfin tuna

Thunnus albacares

Western and Central
Pacific Ocean

Fishery countries:
Vietnam

Longlines

Not certified or in
a FIP

FishSource
Managed

Seafood Watch
Avoid

Good Fish Guide
Think 3

Ocean Wise
Not recommended



Environmental Notes

- There is a risk to PET species with this fishery. Longlines present a hazard to turtles, seabirds and sharks, but these risks can be reduced through proper management of fishing gear.
- There is bycatch for this fishery but the scale of the issue is not established.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- No additional notes.



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