



Bakkafrost

Bakkafrost is the leading producer of top quality salmon from the Faroe Islands. We offer a wide range of healthy and nutritious salmon products from our own facilities. The cool and steady sea temperatures of the North Atlantic Current in the Faroe Islands provides perfect conditions for raising healthy and robust Atlantic salmon.

2020

Number of Fisheries Used	Number of Fisheries Well Managed	Number of Fisheries Managed	Number of fisheries in need of improvement	Sustainability not rated
18	16	2	0	0
Fishing Methods Used in Associated Fisheries				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Midwater trawl • Bottom trawl 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Purse seine • Seine nets • Gillnets and entangling nets 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Longlines • Handlines and pole-lines 		

Summary

Bakkafrost is one of the world's most vertically integrated salmon farming companies. Bakkafrost controls all aspects of production – from feed to finished value added products. This ensures unrivalled traceability and consistent high quality. Havsbrún, a Bakkafrost subsidiary, produces the majority of the fishmeal and fish oil used in Bakkafrost's high-quality feed.

Our longstanding experience in the seafood industry and our focus on providing our customers with top quality salmon products has made Bakkafrost well reputed as a reliable and responsible partner. We are committed to maintaining the highest standards in relation to fish welfare, sustainability and sound stewardship of the environment.

We are dedicated to providing consumers worldwide with top quality tasty and nutritious salmon products. The fast-growing global population coupled with increasing demand for protein, is putting unprecedented pressure on the planet. In this scenario, there is a challenge to produce protein and valuable essential fish oils efficiently and sustainably – a challenge which the aquaculture industry is stepping up to meet. As the largest salmon farmer in the Faroe Islands, at Bakkafrost we have a duty to ensure we also do this responsibly; which means thinking long-term on economic, social, and environmental issues.

In order to maintain the highest quality, our salmon feed has a higher marine content than many of our competitors, this makes the sustainable and responsible production of fishmeal, oil and feed, at our subsidiary Havsbrún, all the more important. This includes how we source all raw materials.

The fishmeal and fish oil that goes into our feed comes from sustainably sourced fish with low-food-value and a low market demand for direct human consumption. In 2019, we increased the proportion of the fishmeal in our feed that derives from fish trimmings and off-cuts to almost a third, up from a quarter. We roughly maintained the use of co-products in fish oil at more than half. These species are all caught in well-regulated legal fisheries.

While the industry benefits from the one of the most efficient feed-to-food conversion ratios and relatively low CO₂ emissions compared to other sectors, reducing our environmental impact remains a priority. With the longest fully integrated value chain in the salmon industry, we are in an advantageous position to further limit our emissions and have almost total traceability.

Our significant contribution to the Faroese economy, through employment, taxes and returns, means we have a big responsibility to everyone with an invested interest in the company.

By investing in the health of our business, our people, our salmon, the environment and the communities in which we operate, we believe we will achieve our vision to enable healthy living for millions of people globally and create long-term value for our stakeholders and society at large.

This disclosure contains a list of all marine ingredients used in our feed in the previous year. Additional marine ingredients purchased by our US-based operation, which comprise less than 5% of sales, are not included in this year's disclosure.

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https://www.bakkafrost.com/fo/bakkafrost_about-us/sustainability/data/

Associated Fisheries



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Species and Location	Production Methods	Certification or Improvement Project	Sustainability Ratings	Notes
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Midwater trawl

Certified

FishSource
Well Managed



Antarctic krill
Euphausia superba

Atlantic Southern Ocean

Fishery countries:
Norway

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

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



Midwater trawl

Bottom trawl

Seine nets

Gillnets and
entangling nets

Hook and line

Handlines and
pole-lines

Certified

FishSource
Well Managed



Atlantic cod
Gadus morhua

Icelandic

Fishery countries:
Iceland

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.
- The impact depends on the gear type. Bottom trawls will have the greatest impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- MarinTrust Approved By-products were sourced from this fishery.



Midwater trawl

Purse seine

Seine nets

Certified

FishSource
Well Managed



Atlantic herring
Clupea harengus

NE Atlantic Spring spawners

Fishery countries:
Faroe Islands, Iceland

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

- No additional notes

	<p>Atlantic mackerel <i>Scomber scombrus</i></p> <p>NE Atlantic</p> <p>Fishery countries: Faroe Islands</p>	<p>Midwater trawl Seine nets</p>	<p>Certified</p>	<p>FishSource Well Managed</p> <p>Good Fish Guide Best Choice 2</p>	<p>▼</p>
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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

- MarinTrust Approved By-products were sourced from this fishery.
- The MSC certificate for this fishery was publicly suspended in March 2019 due to concerns regarding overfishing.


	<p>Blue whiting <i>Micromesistius poutassou</i></p> <p>NE Atlantic</p> <p>Fishery countries: Denmark, Faroe Islands</p>	<p>Midwater trawl</p>	<p>Certified</p>	<p>FishSource Well Managed</p> <p>Seafood Watch Eco-Certification Recommended</p> <p>Ocean Wise Recommended</p>	<p>▼</p>
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Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to have direct impacts on PET species, but available data is still limited.
- Bycatch in this fishery is considered low, however bycatch data for the whole fishery is incomplete.
- Blue whiting is mainly caught by midwater trawls, which are 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.
- MarinTrust Approved Whole Fish and By-products were sourced from this fishery.


	<p>Blue whiting <i>Micromesistius poutassou</i></p> <p>NE Atlantic</p> <p>Fishery countries: Iceland, Norway</p>	<p>Midwater trawl Bottom trawl Purse seine</p>	<p>Certified</p>	<p>FishSource Well Managed</p> <p>Ocean Wise Recommended</p>	<p>▼</p>
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Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to have direct impacts on PET species, but available data is still limited.
- Bycatch in this fishery is considered low, however bycatch data for the whole fishery is incomplete.
- Blue whiting is mainly caught by midwater trawls, which are unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed. Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed, although impacts are thought likely to be low for this fishery.

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.
- MarinTrust Approved Whole Fish were sourced from this fishery.

				FishSource Managed	
European sprat <i>Sprattus sprattus</i>	Midwater trawl		Not certified or in a FIP	Good Fish Guide Think 4	▼
North Sea, Skagerrak and Kattegat	Purse seine				
Fishery countries: Faroe Islands					

Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to have direct impacts on PET species.
- Bycatch of herring is a risk for this fishery but there are mitigation measures in place.
- 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.
- MarinTrust Approved Whole Fish and By-products were sourced from this fishery.


				FishSource Well Managed	
European sprat <i>Sprattus sprattus</i>	Midwater trawl		Certified	Seafood Watch Eco-Certification Recommended	▼
North Sea, Skagerrak and Kattegat				Ocean Wise Not recommended	
Fishery countries: Denmark					

Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to have direct impacts on PET species but may impact food availability to PET species.
- Bycatch of herring is a risk for this fishery but there are mitigation measures in place.
- 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.
- MarinTrust Approved Whole Fish were sourced from this fishery.

			Certified	FishSource Well Managed	▼
European sprat <i>Sprattus sprattus</i>	Purse seine			Seafood Watch	

North Sea, Skagerrak and Kattegat

Fishery countries:
Denmark

Eco-Certification
Recommended

Ocean Wise
Recommended

Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to have direct impacts on PET species but may impact food availability to PET species.
- Bycatch of herring is a risk for this fishery but there are mitigation measures in place.
- 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.
- MarinTrust Approved Whole Fish were sourced from this fishery.



Golden redfish

Sebastes norvegicus

Iceland, Faroes and E
Greenland

Fishery countries:
Iceland

Bottom trawl

Seine nets

Handlines and
pole-lines

Certified

FishSource
Well Managed

Seafood Watch
Eco-Certification
Recommended

Ocean Wise
Recommended



Environmental Notes

- There are risks to seabirds, marine mammals, sharks and skates with this fishery.
- Bycatch of cod is a risk for this fishery.
- 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

- MarinTrust Approved By-products were sourced from this fishery.



Golden redfish

Sebastes norvegicus

Iceland, Faroes and E
Greenland

Fishery countries:
Iceland

Gillnets and
entangling nets
Longlines

Certified

FishSource
Well Managed

Seafood Watch
Eco-Certification
Recommended

Ocean Wise
Not recommended



Environmental Notes

- There are risks to seabirds, marine mammals, sharks and skates with this fishery.
- Bycatch of cod is a risk for this fishery.
- This fishery is unlikely to have a significant impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- MarinTrust Approved By-products were sourced from this fishery.



Midwater trawl

Certified

FishSource
Well Managed



Greater Argentina
Argentina silus

**Faroes Grounds and
West of Scotland**

Fishery countries:
Faroe Islands

Ocean Wise
Recommended

Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to impact PET species.
- Non-target species are retained and landed.
- This fishery uses semi-pelagic trawls which fish on or near the seabed. It is considered is unlikely to reduce habitat structure and function to a point where there would be serious or irreversible harm. Management measures are in place to protect sensitive habitats.

General Notes

- MarinTrust Approved By-products were sourced from this fishery.

References

[DNV GL, 2017, MSC Re-Assessment Public Certification Report – Faroe Islands Silver Smelt](#)



Midwater trawl

Certified

FishSource
Well Managed



Norway Pout
Trisopterus esmarkii

**North Sea, Skagerrak
and Kattegat**

Fishery countries:
Denmark

Purse seine

Seafood Watch
Eco-Certification
Recommended

Ocean Wise
Not recommended

Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to have direct impacts on PET species, but available data is still limited.
- Bycatch of herring is a risk for this fishery but there are mitigation measures in place.
- The impact depends on the gear type. 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.
- MarinTrust Approved Whole Fish were sourced from this fishery.



Bottom trawl

Not certified or in
a FIP

FishSource
Managed



Norway Pout
Trisopterus esmarkii

**North Sea, Skagerrak
and Kattegat**

Fishery countries:
Norway

Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to have direct impacts on PET species, but available data is still limited.

- Bycatch of herring is a risk for this fishery but there are mitigation measures in place.
- The impact depends on the gear type. 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.
- MarinTrust Approved Whole Fish were sourced from this fishery.

 <p>Saithe <i>Pollachius virens</i></p> <p>Icelandic waters</p> <p>Fishery countries: Iceland</p>	<p>Bottom trawl</p> <p>Seine nets</p> <p>Handlines and pole-lines</p>	<p>Certified</p>	<p>FishSource Well Managed</p> <p>Seafood Watch Eco-Certification Recommended</p> <p>Ocean Wise Recommended</p>	<p>▼</p>
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Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to impact PET species.
- Bycatch for this fishery is considered low.
- The impact depends on the gear type. 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.
- MarinTrust Approved By-products were sourced from this fishery.


 <p>Saithe <i>Pollachius virens</i></p> <p>Icelandic waters</p> <p>Fishery countries: Iceland</p>	<p>Gillnets and entangling nets</p> <p>Longlines</p>	<p>Certified</p>	<p>FishSource Well Managed</p> <p>Seafood Watch Eco-Certification Recommended</p> <p>Ocean Wise Not recommended</p>	<p>▼</p>
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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

- As a mixed fishery, the effects of management measures on other species need to be considered within an ecosystem context.
- MarinTrust Approved By-products were sourced from this fishery.

 <p>Sandeels nei <i>Ammodytes spp.</i></p> <p>Central and Southern North Sea</p>	<p>Bottom trawl</p>	<p>Certified</p>	<p>FishSource Well Managed</p>	<p>▼</p>
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Fishery countries:

Denmark

Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to have direct impacts on PET species but may impact food availability to PET species.
- Bycatch for this fishery is considered low.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- Sandeel is an important prey species for a variety of predators, including fish, marine mammals and seabirds. Fishing on sandeel has been found to affect some surface feeding bird species, especially kittiwake and sandwich tern.
- MarineTrust Approved Whole Fish were sourced from this fishery.



Sandeels nei

Ammodytes spp.

Bottom trawl

Certified

FishSource
Well Managed



Dogger Bank area

Fishery countries:

Denmark

Environmental Notes

- This fishery is unlikely to have direct impacts on PET species but may impact food availability to PET species.
- Bycatch for this fishery is considered low.
- Bottom trawls will directly impact on the sea bed.

General Notes

- Sandeel is an important prey species for a variety of predators, including fish, marine mammals and seabirds. Fishing on sandeel has been found to affect some surface feeding bird species, especially kittiwake and sandwich tern.
- MarineTrust Approved Whole Fish were sourced from this fishery.



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