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Calf of Man & Wart Bank Marine Nature Reserve

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Spotter Sheet

Grey Seal



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The most common seal in Manx waters, often seen hauled out on land or swimming/bobbing in the water, especially around Calf Sound.

Manx Shearwater



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Seen from Feb-Jul, this albatross relative may be seen gliding close to the sea surface. Named after the island and only breeds on the Calf.

Velvet Swimming Crab



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The back legs are flattened for swimming. It has distinct red eyes and hair-covered, velvety legs. They are quite aggressive. Mostly offshore.

Black-backed Gulls



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Two species nest around coasts and cliffs. They have dark grey wings and back, with a red spot on the beak. The lesser has yellow legs, the great has pink legs.

Razorbill



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Nests on ledges and amongst rocks. It has a distinctive short, thick bill with a white line across their head. They pair for life. Seen April-September, often with guillemots.

Puffin



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Seen from Mar-Aug, these colourful birds live at sea most of the time and only come to land to breed in grassy burrows. Chicks are called pufflings.

Sea Urchin



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A spiny relative of the starfish, which graze on algae. Several species are found from the lower rocky shore amongst rocks and seaweed.

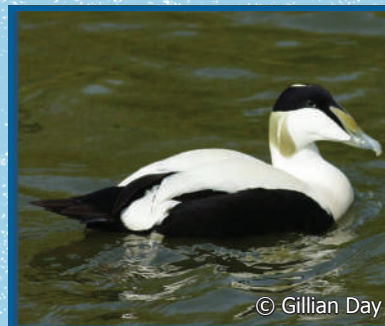
Common Seal



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Locally uncommon; they have a short head, blunt nose and a more cat-like appearance compared to grey seals. The Calf is the best place to see them.

Eider Duck



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The male sea duck is black and white with a green patch behind the head. The female is brown-grey. They feed on molluscs and crustaceans.

Shag



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Smaller than a cormorant, shags catch fish with their long hook-tipped bill. Adults have glossy green plumage whilst juveniles are brownish.



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