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Great Cormorant



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This fairly common, black seabird opens its wings to dry after diving for fish, as its feathers are not waterproof.

Barnacles



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Despite appearances, barnacles are related to crabs but live attached to rocks, using feathery legs to catch plankton.

Beadlet Anemone



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Anemones use stinging tentacles to catch prey but retract at low tide, making them look like red, orange or green blobs.

Lugworm Casts



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Lugworms live in burrows formed by swallowing and excreting sand, and leaving coils of sand on the beach.

Whelk Egg Cases



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Each capsule contains hundreds of eggs, from which a few dozen juveniles hatch. After hatching, the empty cases wash ashore.

Serrated Wrack



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Brown seaweed found on the lower shore with jagged, saw-like edges. It does not have air bladders.

Black-backed Gulls



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Large seabirds with dark-grey backs. Two species; the lesser has yellow legs and the great has pink legs and is larger.

Scorpion Fish



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This spiny fish, found in pools, mimics the colours in its environment, changing the mottled pattern to match.

Oystercatcher



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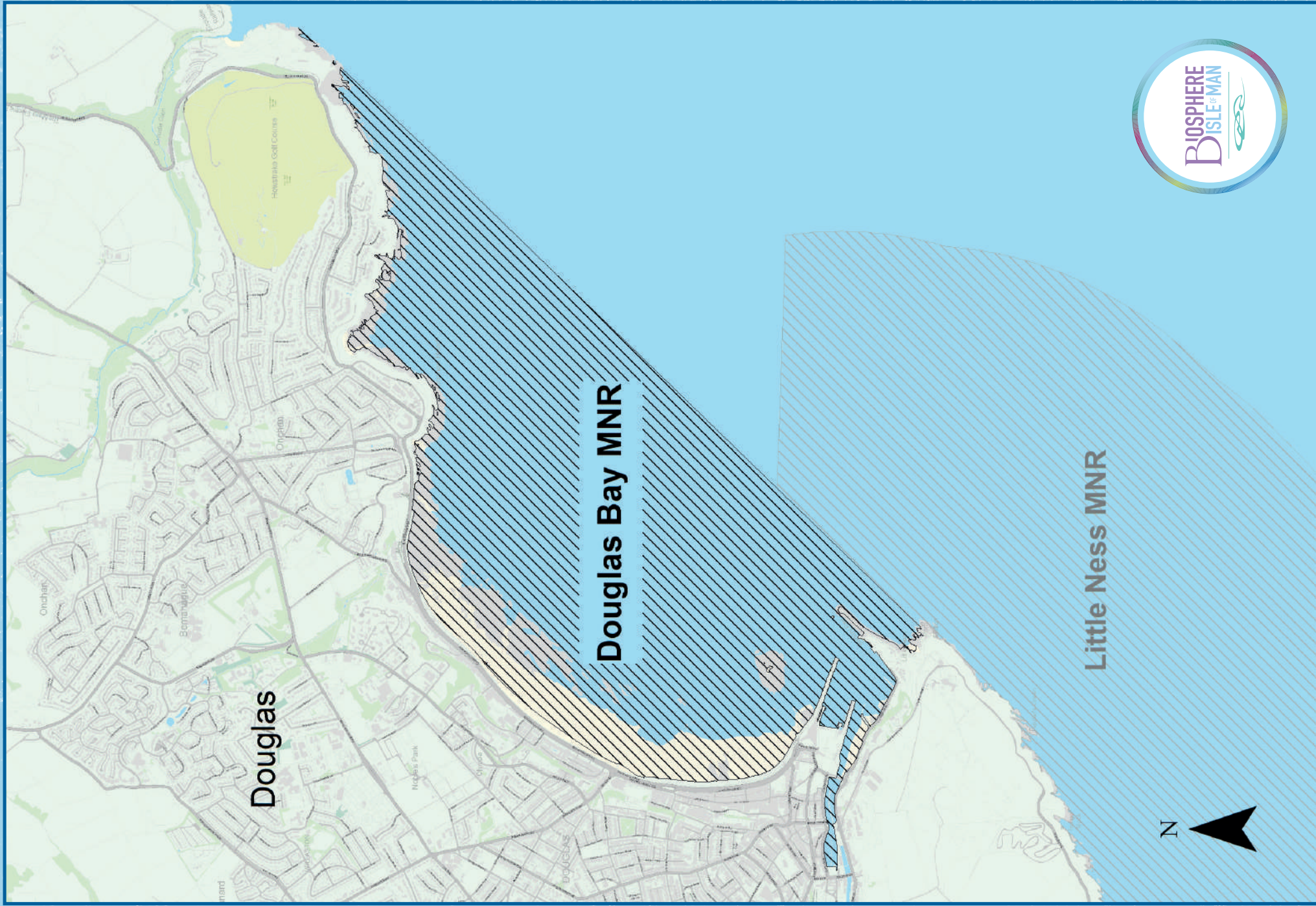
Wader with a distinct 'peep-ing' call and red beak and legs. Prises or hammers open shellfish with its strong bill.

Shore Crab



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Green in colour, common in pools. The underside 'tail flap' is pointed in males and rounded in females. Watch your fingers!



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