

Rocky Intertidal Identification Cards



Animals found in rocky intertidal areas (tide pools) of West Coast marine sanctuaries

Aggregating anemone – *Anthopleura elegantissima*



Giant green anemone – *Anthopleura xanthogrammica*



Both anemone photos: K. Soave

Common acorn barnacles – *Balanus* / *Chthamalus* spp.



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Limpets – *Lottia* spp. / *Macclintockia* spp. (0.5 – 2.5 cm)



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Turban snails – *Tegula brunnea* / *funnebralis*



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Whelks – *Acanthinucella* spp. / *Nucella* spp.



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Algae found in rocky intertidal areas (tide pools) of West Coast marine sanctuaries

Encrusting coralline algae – many species



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Flattened rockweeds

Fucus gardneri / *Hesperophycus californicus*



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Green pin-cushion alga – *Cladophora columbiana*



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Iridescent algae – *Mazzaella flaccida* / *splendens*



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Red Algal Turf – *Endocladia muricata* / *Gelidium coulteri*



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Sea Lettuces (*Ulva* spp.)



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