

The Marine Biome

Map: (Shade in this biome)

General Description:



The Zones:

<u>Oceanic Zone</u> Water depth: Closeness to Shore: Nutrients:	Photic: Aphotic: Benthic:
<u>Neritic Zone</u> Water depth: Closeness to Shore: Nutrients:	<u>Ecosystems</u> Reefs: Estuaries:
<u>Intertidal Zone</u> Water depth: Closeness to Shore: Nutrients:	<u>Ecosystems</u> Salt Marshes: Mangrove Swamps:

Why are the continental shelves called the breadbaskets of the ocean?

What causes the ocean currents and why do we study them?