

Help protect Bongin Bongin Bay, Mona Vale

Proposal to have Bongin Bongin Bay, Mona Vale, declared an Aquatic Reserve



What is an aquatic reserve?

An aquatic reserve aims to conserve the biodiversity of fish and marine vegetation and may include:

- Protecting fish habitat.
- Providing for species management.
- Protecting threatened species, populations, and ecological communities.
- Facilitating education activities and scientific research.

Aquatic Reserve

What you cannot do in an aquatic reserve

- No collecting or damaging seashore plants or animals whether dead or alive except sea lettuce and bait weed.
- No shell collecting.
- No collecting bait except sea lettuce and bait weed.
- No turning over rocks.
- No moving or picking up animals and plants.

What you can do in some aquatic reserves

Subject to other NSW fishing rules and regulations you can:

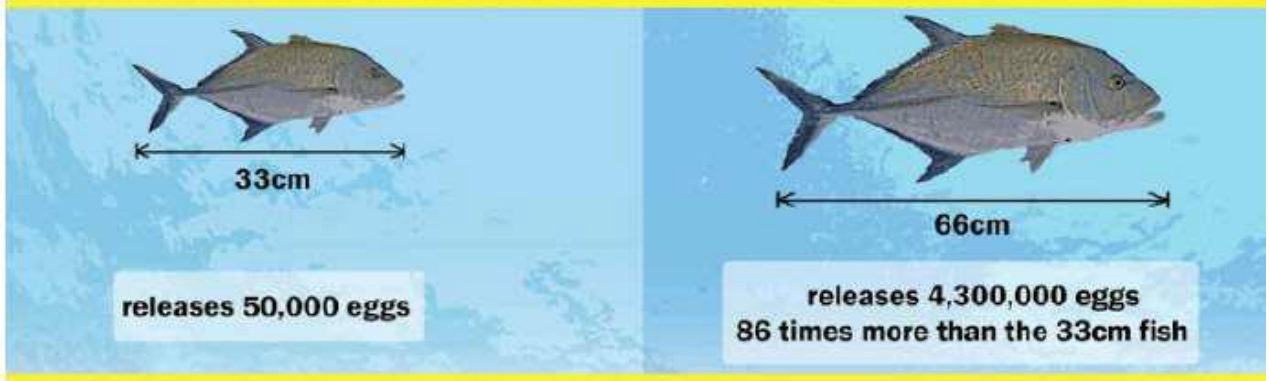
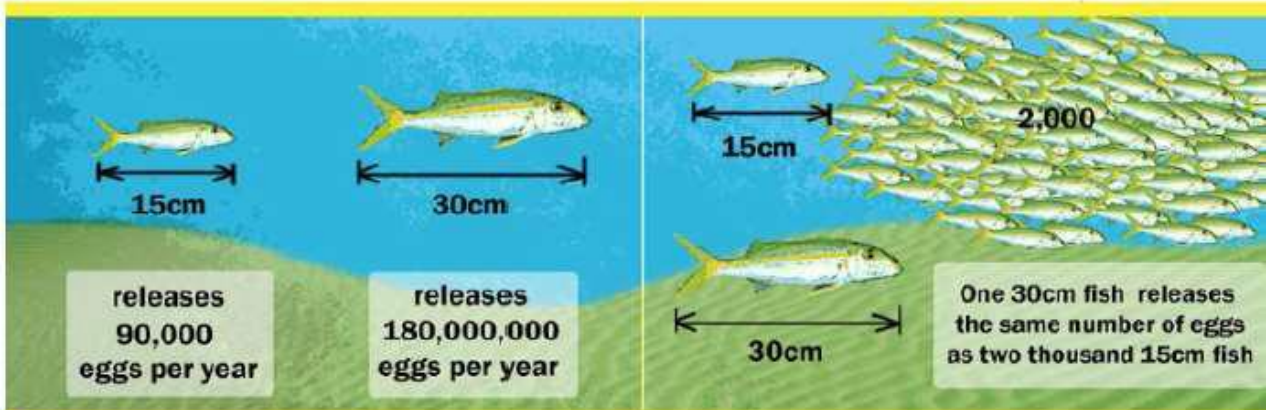
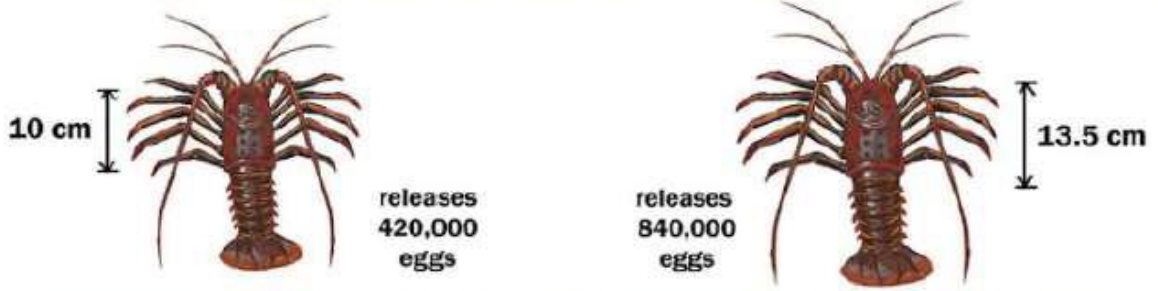
- Line fish and spearfish for finfish, but not invertebrates such as squid, octopus, and cuttlefish.
- Collect blacklip abalone, rock lobster, sea lettuce and bait weed.

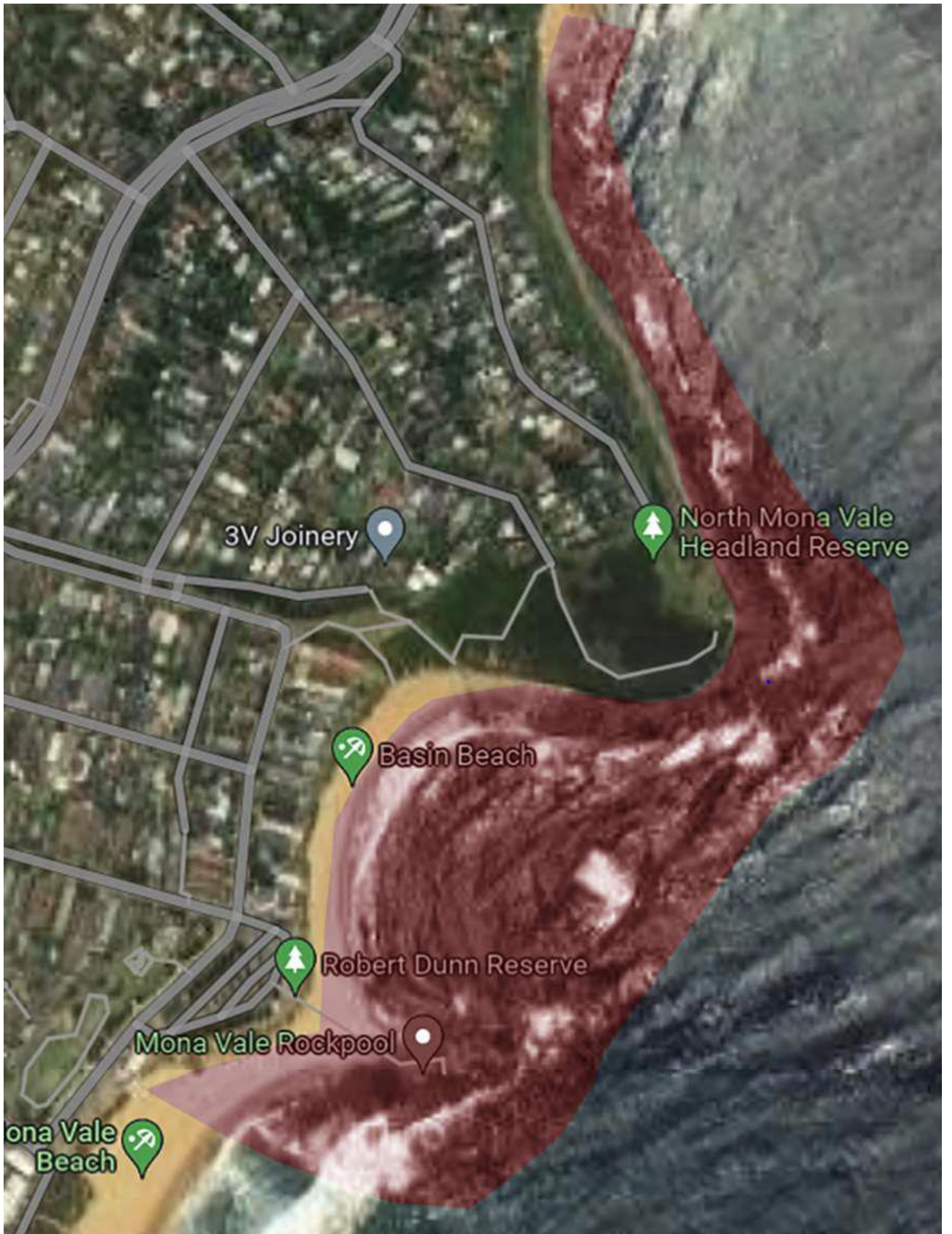
Whilst most Aquatic Reserves allow fishing, a few such as Cabbage Tree Bay (Shelly Beach in Manly) are designated as "No Take" reserves and No Fishing is Allowed.



Please sign to help protect Bongin Bongin Bay, Mona Vale, for future generations and the enjoyment of all.

Big Females Make More Eggs





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Seagrass Beds – Fish Home and Carbon Sink

Seagrasses attract many species of fish and shellfish, some of which are only found in seagrass meadows. Many fish species use seagrass meadows as nursery areas to grow and mature.

Per hectare, seagrasses can store up to twice as much carbon than terrestrial forests, up to 1,000 tonnes of carbon per hectare!

