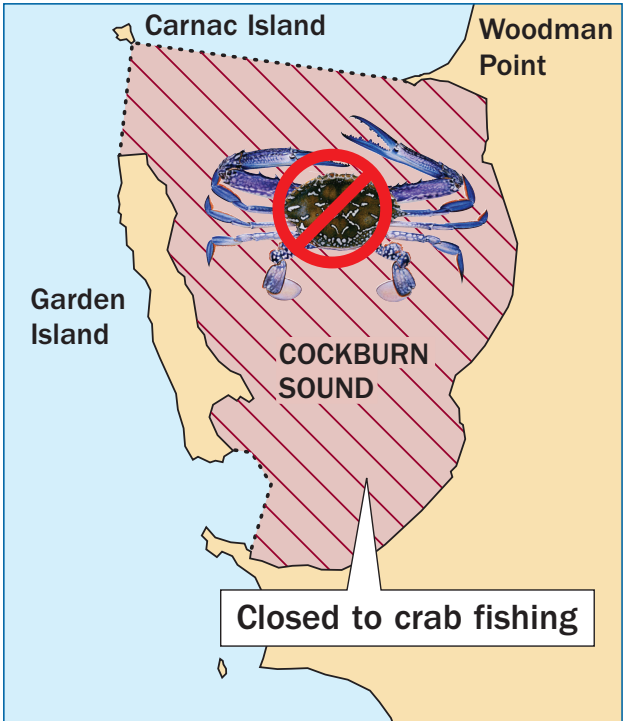




Cockburn Sound closed to crab fishing

The Cockburn Sound crab fishery is closed until further notice to protect the blue swimmer crab breeding stock.

The area closed to recreational crab fishing is shown on the map below.



For further information, see overleaf.

Research has shown a significant decline in the number of crabs in Cockburn Sound due to environmental and biological factors.

Following the early seasonal closure of the fishery in May 2014, a further review found the stock has not recovered.

As a result, the area will remain closed until further notice.

The fishery will be closely monitored to check the progress of recovery.

You can play your part in ensuring we have crabs for the future by sticking to the rules and not fishing in the closed area.

Further information

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