## Morecambe Bay and Duddon Estuary SPA



Morecambe Bay and Duddon Estuary SPA was classified as a SPA in February 2017. The site covers an area of approximately 669km<sup>2</sup>. The site is situated along the coast of southern Cumbria down to northern Lancashire and includes the second largest embayment in Britain. There are several major estuaries in the SPA where the river Lune, Kent, Wyre, leven and Duddon enter the Irish Sea.

Morecambe Bay and Duddon Estuary SPA overlaps with other protected areas including Morecambe Bay SAC, Drigg Coast SAC, Wyre-Lune MCZ, Cumbria Coast MCZ.

**SPA Designated features:** Bar-tailed godwit; Black-tailed godwit; Common tern; Curlew; Dunlin; Golden plover; Grey plover; Herring gull; Knot; Lesser black-backed gull; Little egret; Little tern; Mediterranean gull; Oystercatcher; Pink-footed goose; Pintail; Redshank; Ringed plover; Ruff; Sanderling; Sandwich tern; Seabird assemblage; Shelduck; Turnstone; Waterbird assemblage; Whooper swan

**Management:** Morecambe Bay and Duddon Estuary SPA is managed by Natural England, Marine Management Organisation, North Western IFCA, Local Authorities, Crown Estate & National Trust.

Natural England Advice - Marine site detail (naturalengland.org.uk)

Standard data form - UK9020326.pdf (jncc.gov.uk)

**SPA consultation report -** Morecambe Bay and Duddon Estuary Special Protection Area changes: consultation outcome - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)

Area map - morecambe-duddon-final-map.pdf (publishing.service.gov.uk)

Magic map: Magic Map Application (defra.gov.uk)