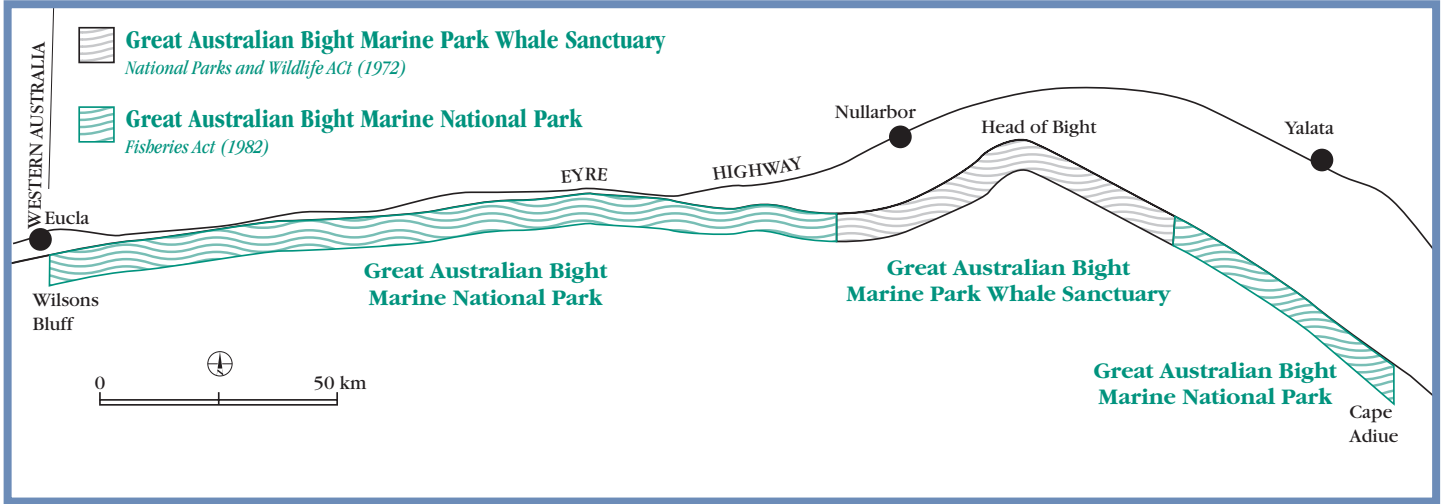




15. GREAT AUSTRALIAN BIGHT MARINE PARK



Locality

Head of the Great Australian Bight. For more detailed information on this marine park, visit http://www.environment.sa.gov.au/coasts/pdfs/gab_mp.pdf

Permitted Activities

The Great Australian Bight Marine Park contains a whale sanctuary section declared under the *National Parks and Wildlife Act 1972*. This area is a sanctuary zone with no access permitted.

Prohibited Activities

Public access to waters adjacent to all of the sanctuary zone, fishing and collecting or removing any marine organism.

Primary Purpose

Protection of a major breeding colony of the southern right wale (*Eubalaena australis*) and protection of a major breeding colony of the Australian sea lion (*Neophoca cinerea*).

Major Habitat Types

Flat sandy bottom, exposed sheer rocky cliffs, high wave energy coastline.

Outstanding physical, biological or other features

This area represents the most significant breeding and calving site for southern right whales in Australia and a major breeding colony of Australian sea lions.

Known endangered or rare species

Southern right whales (endangered), Australian sea lions (rare).