FISHING

STRAIT OF GEORGIA & HOWE SOUND **GLASS SPONGE REEF MARINE REFUGES**

British Columbia's glass sponge reefs are globally unique ecosystems that provide important habitat for marine life.

Glass sponge reefs are very fragile! To protect and conserve these reefs, do not fish and avoid anchoring in closed areas.



NO BOTTOM-CONTACT FISHING

(TRAP, TRAWL & GROUNDFISH **HOOK-AND-LINE**)

- NO USE OF **DOWNRIGGER GEAR** (IN SOME REEFS)
- **AVOID ANCHORING** (WHENEVER POSSIBLE)

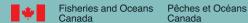




For more information, visit Canada.ca/glass-sponge-closures to view detailed maps online.



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