

# Mersey Estuary SPA



Mersey Estuary was classified in December 1995. An extension to the Mersey Estuary SPA was made in June 2004 to include New Ferry SSSI. The site covers an area of approximately 50km<sup>2</sup>. The Mersey Estuary SPA is composed of extensive intertidal mud and sandflats, distinct areas of rocky shore, and areas of saltmarsh.

**SPA designated features:** Black-tailed godwit; Dunlin; Golden plover; Pintail; Redshank; Shelduck; Teal; Waterbird assemblage.

**Management:** Mersey Estuary SPA is managed by Natural England.

**Natural England Advice –** [Marine site detail \(naturalengland.org.uk\)](http://naturalengland.org.uk)

**Standard data form –** [UK9005131.pdf \(jncc.gov.uk\)](http://jncc.gov.uk)

**Magic map:** [Magic Map Application \(defra.gov.uk\)](http://defra.gov.uk)