SITE SYNOPSIS

SITE NAME: BENADERREEN CLIFFS

SITE CODE: 000467

Benaderreen Cliffs is a small coastal site located about 7km west of Ballycastle, and just in front of the Ceide Fields Interpretative Centre in Co. Mayo. The site extends from the headland at Benaderreen westwards to Keady Point, and includes an area of offshore marine water.

This site comprises an amphitheatre of vertical cliffs with horizontally stratified ledges approximately 130m high. This site is one of the five most important sites for Fulmars (310 pairs in 1969) in the region. Twenty-five pairs of Herring Gull bred in 1969 and Black Guillemot have bred in the past. The site has been known as an important sea bird site for nearly 100 years.

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