



names of animals that live here.

Habitats of Great Bay



ROCKY SHORE	UPLAND FIELDS
Barnacle Periwinkle Herring Gull Green Crab Cormorant Harbor Seal	Eastern Bluebird Mouse Vole Cottontail Rabbit Woodchuck White-tailed Deer

Eelgrass

Eelgrass with its long thin leaves, acts like an underwater forest, providing shelter for many baby fish, crabs and shrimp. It also provides great camouflage for predator fish like the striped bass, which may hide and wait for a small lobster to pass through. Waterfowl, like ducks and geese have long necks, and feed on this nutritious plant when they go “bottoms up.”



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Mud Flats

Ick! What’s that smell? Don’t worry; it’s just the mudflats of Great Bay! Clamworms, green crabs and mud snails are a few characters that call this mucky place home. That “rotten egg” smell is coming from bacteria hard at work deep below the surface. They use something called sulfur...and it stinks...to help them survive and break down all the rotting dead stuff. It’s a good thing people use oxygen instead!

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Rocky Shore

Rocky beaches and ledges provide a perfect place for animals that have a tight grip on things. Barnacles and mussels attach themselves to the rocks to prevent being carried away by waves. This allows them to easily feed on plankton that floats by in the water. Don’t forget about those slippery seaweeds! These plants attach themselves to rocks to be closer to the sunlight.

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