

OBSERVE, RESPECT, ENJOY.

Lundy has a breeding colony of approximately 200 Atlantic grey seals. These beautiful animals enjoy interacting with divers, snorkellers and swimmers, and will often initiate fun and games. Seals are naturally inquisitive, however, they are also cautious. By adopting a safe and respectful approach you will be able to enjoy longer and more exciting encounters. If you have any questions please contact the Lundy Warden at warden@lundyisland.co.uk



To ensure your encounter is enjoyable for both you and the seal, please follow these codes of conduct:



- Please refrain from touching the seals.
- Do not feed the seals.
- Do not approach the seals or attempt to chase them, given time they will come to you and initiate play.
- Do not take toys into the water to play with the seals
- Take plenty of pictures and feel free to upload these onto the Lundy Seals Flickr page, but avoid using flash photography as this may scare the seals.

If you observe any behaviours which might indicate stress, such as increased vocalisation, teeth bearing or rapid entry into the water please move away and allow the seal to recover.

Lundy's seals are protected through the Island's Special Area of Conservation designation and the Conservation of Seals Act (1970). It is illegal to recklessly disturb or injure grey seals within the UK. Please have fun and enjoy your experience whilst remaining respectful.

Hauled Out Seals

Seals are more vulnerable on land, therefore, never approach hauled out seals from the land or water. In order to reduce the possibility of disturbing hauled out seals, or injuring seals in the water please keep your speed below 5 knots within 100m of the shoreline. Please follow these guidelines:



Maintain a reasonable distance from hauled out seals, especially if there are any white pups or heavily pregnant females

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