

## REPUBLIC OF PALAU CONSERVATION AREAS

Palauans have always understood the intricate balance between the health of Palau's natural habitats and the long-term health of its people. For many centuries, Palauans have practiced conservation and sustainable use of its natural habitats. To date, Palau has 290km<sup>2</sup> (112 square miles) of natural habitat, both marine and terrestrial, that is under some sort of protection. This is significant considering that Palau has a land mass of approximately 363 square kilometers. The national government, state governments, traditional leaders, NGOs, and the communities as a whole have all played a instrumental role in the creation and management of Palau's conservation areas.

Area	Authority	Year	Approx size	Regulations
Ngerukewid Islands Wildlife Preserve (Seventy Islands)	Republic of Palau	1999	12km <sup>2</sup>	no fishing, hunting, or disturbance of any kind
Ngeruangel Reserve	Kayangel State	1996	35km <sup>2</sup>	governed according to the reserve board management plan
Ngarchelong/Kayangel Reef Channels	Ngarchelong & Kayangel Chiefs - Traditional bul	1994	90km <sup>2</sup>	no fishing in 8 channels during April through July
Ebiil Channel Conservation Area	Ngarchelong State	2000	15km <sup>2</sup>	no entry or fishing
Ngaraard Conservation Area (mangrove)	Ngaraard State	1994	1.8km <sup>2</sup>	only traditional subsistence and educational uses allowed
Ngardmau Conservation Area (reef flat, Taki Waterfall, Mount Ngerchelchuus)	Ngardmau State	1998	7km <sup>2</sup>	no entry, fishing, or hunting for 5 years
Ngemai Conservation Area	Ngiwal State	1997	1km <sup>2</sup>	no entry or fishing
Ngerumekaol Spawning Area	Republic of Palau	1998	0.3km <sup>2</sup>	no fishing year round
Ngemelis and Dmasch Islands No Fishing Zone	Koror State	1995	30km <sup>2</sup>	no fishing or within one-mile of islands
Ngkisaol Sardine Sanctuary	Koror State	1999	0.01km <sup>2</sup>	no fishing of sardines or herring
Lake Ngardok Nature Reserve	Melekeok State	2000	4km <sup>2</sup>	governed according to reserve board sustainable management plan
Airai State Mangrove Conservation Area	Airai State	1997	1km <sup>2</sup>	only traditional subsistence and educational uses allowed
Ngaremeduu Conservation Area	Aimeliik, Ngatpang, Ngaremlengui States	2000	98km <sup>2</sup>	governed according to Ngaremeduu Conservation Area Committee management plan
Teluleu Conservation Area	Peleliu State	2001	0.427km <sup>2</sup>	no entry or fishing is allowed

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*Ngeruangel Reserve*

Kayangel

*Northern reefs*

*Ebiil Channel conservation area*

*Ngaraard mangrove conservation area*

Ngarchelong

Ngardmau

Ngaraard Ngemai

Ngeremlengui

Ngaiwal Conservation Area

*Ngeremedui Bay*

Ngatpang

Melekeok Ngardok Reserve

Aimeliik

Ngchesar

Koror

Airai

*Ngerumekaol Channel*

Rock Islands

*Ngerukewid Islands Wildlife Preserve*

*Ngemelis No-Fishing Area*

Peleliu

Angaur



0 20 km

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*Main Islands*

*Southwest Islands*

Sonsorol

Hatohobei

Helen Atoll

0 200 km

134° 10'

7° 20'