

## 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 an 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*

Kayangangel

*Northern reefs*

*Ebiil Channel conservation area*

*Ngaraard mangrove conservation area*

Ngarchelong

Ngardmau

Ngaraard Ngemai

Ngeremlengui

Ngiwal

*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

## WESTERN PACIFIC

Palau

Hawaii

New Zealand

0 20  
km

7° 20'

134° 10'

## REPUBLIC OF PALAU

*Main Islands*

*Southwest Islands*

Sonsorol

Hatohobei

Helen Atoll

0 200  
km