

# Sea Scallops: The Clearwater Difference

	 <b>Clearwater Frozen-at-Sea Canadian Sea Scallops</b>	 <b>United Kingdom, France &amp; Netherlands</b>	 <b>USA</b>	 <b>Japan</b>	 <b>Peru</b>
SCIENTIFIC NAME	<i>Placopecten magellanicus</i>	<i>Pecten maximus</i>	<i>Placopecten magellanicus</i>	<i>Patinopecten yessoensis</i>	<i>Argopecten purpuratus</i>
SCALLOP RESOURCE	Wild	Wild	Wild	Wild and Farmed	Farmed
HARVEST AREA	Offshore – harvested from the clear, unpolluted waters of the Canadian North Atlantic.	Harvested throughout UK, French and Dutch waters.	Offshore	Inshore	Southeast Pacific, along the coast of Peru and Northern Chile, with majority caught in Northern Peru.
HARVEST SEASON	Year-round. Clearwater holds 50% of TAC.	UK: Year-round; France: Closed May-September	Year-round	Seasonal	Year-round
SUSTAINABILITY	MSC-certified	Work has begun on a stock assessment initiative in the UK waters. The UK Scallop fishery is included in the UK Fisheries Improvement Project.	MSC-certified	ASC and MSC certification varies per farm/fishery.	
FREEZING LOCATION	Frozen-at-sea on board Clearwater state-of-the-art vessels, locking in freshness, flavour and texture.	On land	On land		
TIMELINE FROM HARVEST TO FREEZER	Less than 60 minutes	10 hours to multiple days	10 hours to multiple days		
USE OF ADDITIVES/PRESERVATIVES	None – Clearwater Sea Scallops are 100% natural and dry frozen = minimum shrinkage and greater cook yield.	Varies per supplier/distributor – some scallop processors soak scallop products in chemical solutions to help retain moisture and preserve the product.	Varies per supplier/distributor – many scallop processors soak scallops in chemical solutions to help retain moisture and preserve the product.		Occasionally treated with phosphates by producers in the US.
QUALITY ASSURANCE	Industry-leading food safety and quality assurance programs, including CFIA registration onboard vessels and BRC certification within processing facilities.	Certifications and quality vary per supplier.	Different parties are involved in quality management process. Certifications and quality vary per supplier and region.		
DISTRIBUTION	Year-round supply and availability via Clearwater Sales Team.	Year-round supply and availability	Variety of distributors and re-processors are typically involved who are not direct harvesters. Less vertical integration.		