Sea Scallops: The Macduff Difference

OS SCIENCE PORTING TO	MACDUFF. Macduff King Scallops	United Kingdom, Ireland France & Netherlands	USA	Japan	Peru
SCIENTIFIC NAME	Pecten maximus	Pecten maximus	Placopecten magellanicus	Patinopecten yessoensis	Argopecten purpuratus
SCALLOP RESOURCE	Wild	Wild	Wild	Wild and Farmed	Farmed
HARVEST AREA	FAO Fishing Area 27	Harvested throughout UK, Irish, 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	UK: Year-round; France: Closed May-September	Year-round	Seasonal	Year-round
SUSTAINABILITY	Leading in this area through the work of our two sustainability professionals, who are actively engaged with all fishery stakeholders. Science Partners Badge	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	Majority frozen on land, with whole shell frozen-at-sea capability	On land	On land		
TIMELINE FROM HARVEST TO FREEZER	10 hours to multiple days	10 hours to multiple days	10 hours to multiple days		
USE OF ADDITIVES/ PRESERVATIVES	None - Macduff King Scallops are 100% natural	None			Occasionally treated with phosphates by producers in the US
QUALITY ASSURANCE	Macduff King Scallops are prepared in British Retail Consortium (BRC) sites. Mintlaw achieved the highest AA+ accreditation, while the smaller operation in Stornoway scored AA, ensuring customers receive only the highest quality and food safe products. Full traceability for all products. Compliance with NFFO voluntary vessel safety folder scheme, membership of the Fishermen's Welfare Alliance scheme	Certifications and quality vary per supplier	Different parties are involved in quality management process Certifications and quality vary per supplier and region		
DISTRIBUTION	Chilled formats available. Year-round supply and availability of frozen scallops via Clearwater sales team. Vertically integrated supply chain, with dedicated logistics	Year-round supply and availability	Variety of distributors and re-processors are typically involved who are not direct harvesters; Less vertical integration		