
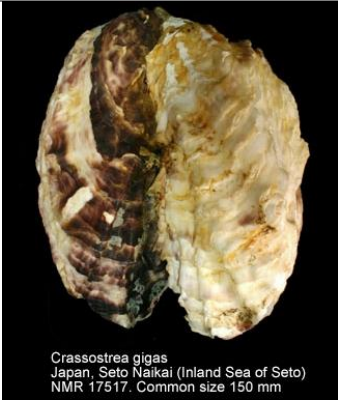







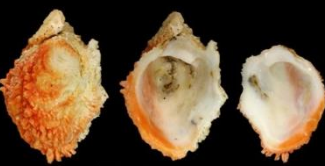
Bivalves present in Belgian marine waters

	Common name	Scientific name	Adult size	NIS*	Habitat/structures colonized	Main period of larval presence	Period of larval settlement
 <p>Mytilus edulis Netherlands, Zuid-Holland, Hoek van Holland NMR 38112. Common size 60 mm</p>	<u>Blue mussel</u>	<i>Mytilus edulis</i>	5 – 10 cm	No	Windmill pilings	Spring	Spring
 <p>Crassostrea gigas Japan, Seto Naikai (Inland Sea of Seto) NMR 17517. Common size 150 mm</p>	<u>Pacific oyster</u>	<i>Crassostrea gigas</i>	8 – 40 cm	Yes	Native mussel beds (Offshore) buoys	Summer	Summer



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 <p data-bbox="203 359 347 391">Ensis leei Netherlands, Frieland, Terschelling NMR 39015. Common size 140 mm</p>	<u>Atlantic razor clam</u>	<i>Ensis leei</i>	16 – 17 cm	Yes	Floating docks Native mussel beds Oyster reefs	Spring (Lasts up to 10-27 days)	Spring (after they've reached ± 210 µm)
 <p data-bbox="255 735 495 775">Mytilus galloprovincialis (f) dilatatus Greece, Lesvos, Kolpos Kallonis, Paraklia NMR 38116. Common size 70 mm</p>	<u>Mediterranean mussel</u>	<i>Mytilus galloprovincialis</i>	5 – 8 cm	Yes	Ships' hulls	Not known for the Belgian waters (Spring – Early summer in the Bay of Biscay)	Not known for the Belgian waters (Spring - Summer in the Bay of Biscay)
 <p data-bbox="248 1142 506 1182">Dreissena polymorpha Netherlands, Zuid-Holland, Brielle (Rugge) NMR 68179. Common size 32 mm</p>	<u>Zebra mussel</u>	<i>Dreissena polymorpha</i>	3 – 5 cm	Yes	Ships' hulls Coastal defense structures Fishing nets Aquaculture cages Pipe blockage	Spring – Summer (2-4 weeks)	Spring – Summer



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 <p>Anadara transversa United States, Florida, Bradenton NMR 19829. Common size 35 mm</p>	<u>Transverse ark</u>	<i>Anadara transversa</i>	2 – 3 cm	Yes	Shellfish aquaculture	Not known for Belgian waters (Summer in the northern Adriatic Sea)	Not known for Belgian waters
 <p>Arcuatula senhousia Netherlands, Zeeland Zuid-Beveland, Goes, Goese Meer NMR 98729. Actual size 18 mm</p>	<u>Asian data mussel</u>	<i>Arcuatula senhousia</i>	1 – 3.5 cm	Yes	Coastal defense structures Jetties Seaweeds	Not known for Belgian waters (Late winter in the northern Adriatic Sea)	Not known for Belgian waters (Settle after a planktonic life stage of 3-6 weeks)
 <p>Chama pacifica Japan, Wakayama, Nada-Cho NMR 18947. Actual size 54 mm</p>	<u>Pacific jewel box</u>	<i>Chama pacifica</i>	6 – 8 cm	Yes	Ships' hulls	Not known for Belgian waters	Not known for Belgian waters


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 <p data-bbox="226 624 524 675">Corbicula fluminea Netherlands, Zuid-Holland, Dordrecht NMR 35823. Common size 28 mm</p>	<u>Asian clam</u>	<i>Corbicula fluminea</i>	2.5 – 6.5 cm	Yes	Ships' hulls Plants	Not known for Belgian waters	Not known for Belgian waters
 <p data-bbox="277 1038 472 1074">Brachidontes pharaonis Seychelles, Mahé, Anse Boileau NMR 19169. Actual size 20 mm</p>	<u>Variable mussel</u>	<i>Brachidontes pharaonis</i>	Up to 4 cm	Yes	Ships' hulls Coastal defense structures	Not known for Belgian waters	Not known for Belgian waters

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 <p data-bbox="241 517 506 560">Dreissena bugensis Canada, Ontario, Toronto, Center Island NMR 47641. Actual size 26 mm</p>	<u>Quagga mussel</u>	<i>Dreissena rostriformis bugensis</i>	3 – 4 cm	Yes	Ships' hulls Buoys Harbors Coastal defense structures Pipe blockage	Not known for Belgian waters (September in Nevada, USA)	Not known for Belgian waters (October – December in Nevada, USA)
 <p data-bbox="230 951 405 1002">Mytilopsis leucophaeata Netherlands, ZuidHolland Hellevoetsluis, Kippenbrug NMR 76237. Actual size 19 mm</p>	<u>Conrad's false mussel</u>	<i>Mytilopsis leucophaeata</i>	1.3 – 2.7 cm	Yes	Ships' hulls Pipe blockage	Not known for Belgian waters	Not known for Belgian waters

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	<u>Atlantic rangia</u>	<i>Rangia cuneata</i>	2.5 – 6 cm	Yes	Harbors Pipe blockage	Not known for Belgian waters (Fall & winter in the James River, USA)	Not known for Belgian waters (Early to midsummer & late fall to winter in the James River, USA)
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