## LOWER SILVERMINE RIVER ESTUARY



Fvnbos water looks brown because of the fynbos chemicals in it. It does not mean it is polluted.



**Sea urchin**. This is a dead one with no spines. They are related to star fish and can be found in all sizes.



Sea bamboo Ecklonia *maxima*The largest of the kelps – grows to 12 m. It is

a host to numerous other marine animals ie urchins, lobster and mussels.



Stevens Codium. Another seaweed that is often washed up. It is thick and fleshy



**Sea Swallow** (glaucus atlanticus) Floats upside down in the ocean and feeds on

bluebottles. Found after onshore (South Easters) winds.



can be relieved with the juice of sour figs.

Often washed up on the beaches after a South Easter wind. Tentacles can sting. The sting



Sargassum "Bubble" seaweed. A common seaweed with "bubbles" that are fun to pop!



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**Holdfasts** are the "Roots" of seaweed and have animals growing in them. See what you can see – you may find starfish etc., but

do put the animals back into the sea.



## **Root-mouth** jellyfish.

The largest jellyfish known and found right around our

coastline. They lack tentacles and feed on microscopic prey.



Puffer fish are often washed up and are poisonous.



Sand Mussel. Commonly washed up and eaten by sea gulls

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