

Additional information

Ecosystem services:

In the summer there are guided tours with boat from Røstlandet to Røstøyan. The area around Røstøyan is also popular for sports fishing. Many tourists come to Røst for sports fishing.

On many islands sheep are grazing. The site is a part of an area selected in “Utvalgte kulturlandskaper i Norge”. This is a selection of cultural landscapes with high values in both natural and cultural diversity.

Traditionally, down and eggs were collected from nests of Common Eider. The close relationship between humans and birds along the northern coast contributed to a high population of eider. The eider benefited from predator protection and the construction of breeding-houses.

This tradition has gradually faltered and at present it exists only at a few revived sites (outside this area).

In the site there are recorded three protected archaeological sites/cultural heritages:

- Skomvær lighthouse with surrounding buildings.
- Sanden at Storfjellet; old settlement
- Vedøya; old settlement, birdcatcher cabin, wharf, fence