We use habitats to understand biodiversity

Marine habitats are as unique and varied as terrestrial ones. We use factors like depth, exposure and sediment types to classify habitats.

 Alpine

 Swamp

 Kānuka forest
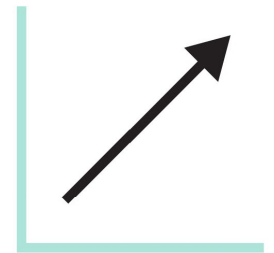
 Rocky reef

 Soft sediment

 Kelp forest

WE HAVE

100's

of types of marine habitats in our coastal waters.

Number of habitats

Biodiversity

Biodiversity increases with the number of habitat types.

Department of Conservation
Te Papa Atawhai