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Chapter 1. INTRODUCTION

In July 2002, Geoscience Australia and the National Oceans Office agreed to carry out a jointly-funded project to produce a consistent, high-quality bathymetric data grid from the coastline of Australia out to the 200 nautical mile limit (i.e., covering the coastal waters, the territorial sea, and the exclusive economic zone (EEZ¹) - by far the largest of the jurisdictions), and to use the grid to identify and map geomorphic features of the seabed. The area selected to be mapped covered the contiguous portion of continental Australia's 200 nautical mile zone, as well as the same zone around Macquarie Island (part of Tasmania), and the Australian Territories of Norfolk Island, Christmas Island, and Cocos-Keeling Islands. Australia's marine jurisdiction off Heard and McDonald Islands and the Australian Antarctic Territory was not included in the present project.

The methods section of this report provides a list of data used and the computational procedures employed to reduce the data to a 250 m resolution bathymetric grid. The techniques and definitions used to produce the geomorphic feature map are also described.

In the results section of the report, the key geomorphic features of the Australian continental margin are described, drawing extensively on work published in the scientific literature. Specific geomorphic features that have been named or that have been reported in scientific investigations are reviewed and the overall geomorphic make-up of the margin is summarised in the form of a geographic information system (GIS).

An understanding of the shape of the seabed (bathymetry) and the type of seabed forms (geomorphic features) is considered fundamental information needed for ocean planning and management. This is partly because the nature of the seabed can be an important determinant of the diversity and dynamics of marine biological communities. In addition, bathymetry data is available over extensive areas of Australian waters where very little else is known about the ocean environment.

The work undertaken for this report will contribute to the National Oceans Office National Work Program for regional marine planning and will provide input to the national marine bioregionalisation. In particular, this work falls under the work program themes of 'building on the existing knowledge base' and 'mapping Australia's EEZ'. Moreover, the objectives in undertaking this work specific to Geoscience Australia are as follows:

1. To add new bathymetry data points generated by the Royal Australian Navy (RAN) Hydrographic Office to the Geoscience Australia bathymetry database for the continental shelf to supplement data already entered from the shelf, slope and rise to develop a consistent, high quality bathymetric data grid for Australia's EEZ.

¹ Generally in this report, where the term "EEZ" has been used it includes all of Australia's marine jurisdictional zones lying within 200 nautical miles of Australia's territorial sea baseline (i.e., the Coastal Waters, Territorial Sea and the Exclusive Economic Zone), except in the northwest, north and northeast, where the outer limit of the mapped area corresponds to treaty boundaries with Indonesia, Papua New Guinea, Solomon Islands and France.

2. To prepare the bathymetric data grid so that it is available to be used for oceanographic models and in developing a bioregionalisation of Australia's EEZ.
3. To define geomorphic features on the basis of expert interpretation of seabed morphology and geological origins.
4. To prepare the geomorphic features and associated descriptions so that they are available to be used in the bioregionalisation of the Australia's EEZ.

The main outcomes of the project are:

1. An improved understanding of the continental shelf and slope bathymetry to assist in development of regional marine plans and the general management of Australia's oceans.
2. Enhanced availability of geological information for use in marine planning and management.
3. Improved data accessibility, by making the bathymetry grid and geomorphic units widely available, in particular, contributing to development of fundamental marine datasets for Australia.
4. To build a national capacity for data integration (e.g., working toward related national data-management initiatives)

1.1. Australia's Oceans Policy and the National Work Program

The Government's commitment to an integrated ecosystem-based approach to planning and management of all ocean uses is at the core of Australia's Oceans Policy, launched in December 1998. Regional marine planning is one of the tools by which this ecosystem-based approach will be delivered.

As part of its ongoing work, the National Oceans Office is currently implementing a National Work Program to provide strategic scientific support for the development and implementation of regional marine plans. The National Work Program includes biophysical and socio-economic projects, as well as efforts aimed at improving the use of information in regional marine plans.

The national marine bioregionalisation is a major area of work under the National Work Program. The national marine bioregionalisation aims to contribute to the continual improvement of Australia's ecologically-based regional planning framework and underlying information base. The work program will produce a series of bioregions in a hierarchical structure that reflect ecosystem processes and biogeography throughout Australia's EEZ. It will build on previous regionalisations and result in a comprehensive, fully integrated and agreed set of bioregions.

The planned outcomes of this work include an improved information base on biological and physical characteristics of Australia's oceans and improved use of that information in planning and management of human uses of the marine environment, particularly through regional marine planning.

This work will focus on the mid and outer continental shelf, the continental slope and deep sea areas, recognising that these areas are the most poorly defined and therefore the priority for enhancement. Particular emphasis will also be given to

the next area for regional marine planning - the Northern Region, which encompasses the eastern Arafura Sea, the Gulf of Carpentaria and Torres Strait.

The end product of this work program will be a comprehensive, fully integrated and agreed set of benthic and pelagic regions in a hierarchical structure (smaller regions nested within larger regions) covering Australia's EEZ. These regions will reflect biogeography and ecosystem processes and will incorporate finer-scale information where it is available (e.g., Great Barrier Reef, Southeast Marine Region) or where it is necessary to support regional marine planning (initially northern Australia). It is envisaged that the results will be used to update, extend and refine the current national ecologically-based planning framework, the Interim Marine and Coastal Regionalisation of Australia (IMCRA), with particular emphasis on waters greater than 3 nautical miles offshore.

This project is one of a series planned by the National Oceans Office over the next few years, to provide baseline information that will be eventually integrated into a national marine bioregionalisation. Further information about the other projects and the derivation of the national marine bioregionalisation are available at the National Oceans Office web page: www.oceans.gov.au

Chapter 2. METHODS

2.1. Database Population

In this project the existing Geoscience Australia bathymetry database was updated and expanded by adding several new sources of data. The content and status of Geoscience Australia's bathymetry database as of January 2002 was reviewed by Petkovic and Buchanan (2002; Fig. 2.1). The database at that time contained data from a total of 931 surveys, extending from 34°N – 79°S and 90° – 180°E. The typical point data spacing is 25-200 m and the database contained a total of 202,072,810 points. Geoscience Australia acquired approximately 20% of these surveys.

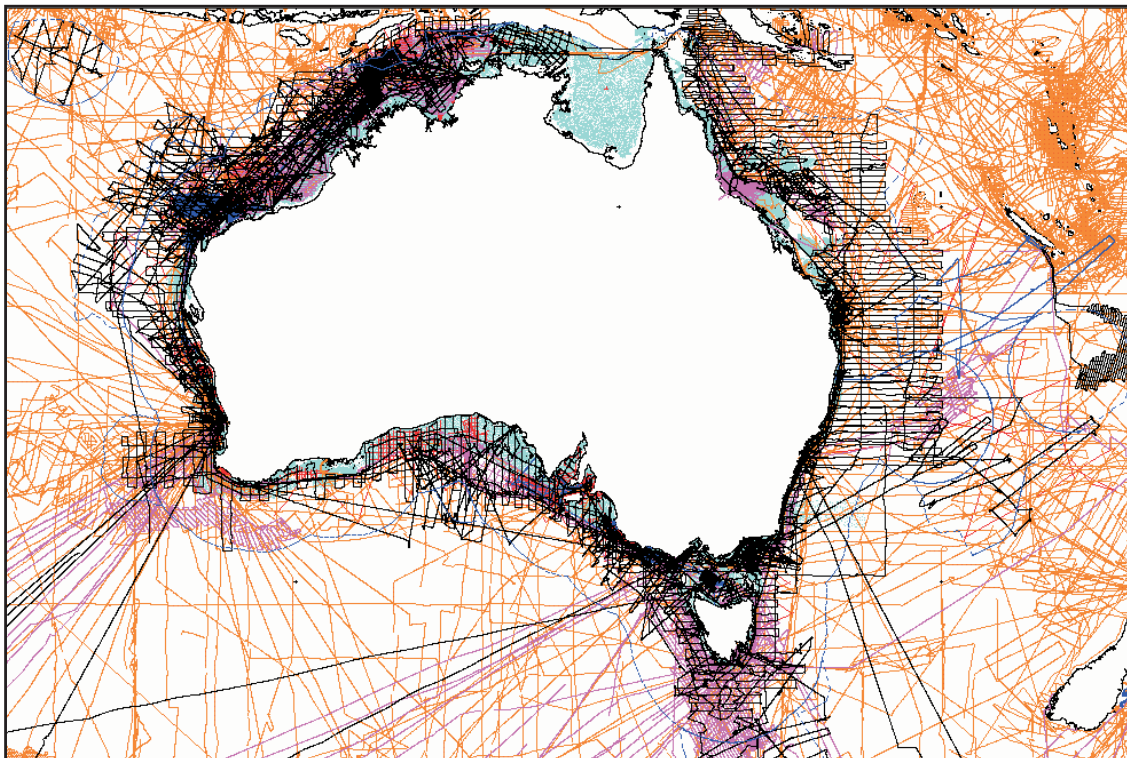


Figure 2.1. Geoscience Australia ship-track database (Mardat) showing bathymetric coverage prior to January 2002 (Petkovic and Buchanan, 2002). Black = Geoscience Australia research surveys; Dark blue = Geoscience Australia contract surveys; Purple = other Geoscience Australia surveys; Red = private company seismic surveys; Light blue = RAN Australian Hydrographic Service charts; Orange = Foreign sources, mainly National Geophysical Data Centre. Also included in the database but not highlighted in this figure are digital data obtained from NATMAP bathymetric 1:250,000 series.

Data used in this study included the addition of a further 87,502,588 points to the database derived from the following sources (see Appendix A for a full listing of data):

- Royal Australian Navy (RAN) Fairsheet data (4,383,177 points);
- RAN Laser Airborne Depth Sounder (LADS) survey data (18,720,814 points);
- Swath Surveys (64,238,920 points); and
- CSIRO Division of Marine Research Franklin and *Southern Surveyor* surveys 1991-2002 (~50 surveys, ~160,000 points).

Altogether, the above sources represent an increase to the database of approximately 43%. In the following sections, the information provided by each of these four sources is described and their integration into the database is explained.

2.1.1. Royal Australian Navy Hydrographic Service Fairsheet Data

Data from Royal Australian Navy (RAN) Australian Hydrographic Service (AHS) fairsheets on the shelf were digitised using a combination of optical character recognition and hand digitising techniques. The point depth readings are adjusted for sea level (tides) during each of the surveys. Surveys conducted after the mid-1960's used miniranger radio navigation around a surveyed transmission point. Vertical and horizontal accuracy is good to excellent. The collation and correction of digitally entered Fairsheet data provided by the RAN Hydrographic Office required the application of filters and visualisation tools to "clean" the data of spurious points and other errors. Fairsheets to be included in the analysis were identified by comparing sheet distribution with existing digital coverage. Fairsheets were excluded if there were two or more sheets that overlapped each other or if a sheet was not needed because other, more accurate, survey data were available (e.g., LADS or swath bathymetry data; see below).

The procedure carried out by the RAN for capturing the analogue hydrographic data digitally was undertaken as follows: Spot depths represented in the images were digitised using a manual screen-based system and output as an ASCII file of x , y , and z coordinates. Data from each chart were then passed through a range checking program, and gridded for inspection and error detection. Finally, individual sheet files were concatenated and the coordinates were converted to WGS84 positional datum, the equivalent of the new Australian AGD94 datum.

2.1.2. RAN Laser Airborne Depth Sounding (LADS) Data

Laser Airborne Depth Sounding (LADS) surveys are used by the RAN only for reef surveys in the Great Barrier Reef and limited parts of the Timor Sea, because of the limited depth penetration and water quality restrictions of optical depth sounding methods. LADS data are of excellent quality and extremely high resolution, but are limited to waters <20 m deep. This depth limit is due to the inability of laser light to penetrate through water of greater depth and be reflected back to the sensor. Waters that are highly turbid present a problem for LADS, which is not reliable in some coastal regions for this reason. All LADS data received from the RAN by Geoscience Australia were used in the present study.

2.1.3. Multibeam Surveys and CSIRO Ship Track Data

Since January, 2002, data from six swath mapping surveys carried out in Australia's EEZ have become available and were added to the database for the current project (Table 2.1):

- R/V *Maurice Ewing* Australian transit legs 2000-2001. Data quality was poor due to the lack of sound velocity corrections but processed accordingly and incorporated where possible (Fig. 2.2).
- R/V *Sonne* Australian transit legs, in 1999 and 2002.

SONNE 136 (South Tasman Rise/ Macquarie Ridge): Data quality was poor due to the lack of sound velocity casts but processed accordingly and incorporated where possible.

SONNE 168: Data quality was good due to system upgrades in 2000 although ping data was not indexed, and thus no quality control could be carried out.

- N/O *L'Atalante*: Transit survey 2001. Gridded data received from Ray Wood (NZ) over Norfolk Island EEZ. Two grids were provided for these data at 500 m and 150 m resolution. Data density was variable (Fig. 2.2D).
- BHP/Billiton survey using S/V *Petr Kotzov* 2002, received under industry PSLA requirements (see western side of Fig. 2.2F). These data are ping-based and supplied as x,y,z triplets. No quality control or reprocessing was possible due to lack of indexing although data set is internally consistent and of good quality.
- Data acquired by R/V *Marion Dufresne* January-March 2003 during the AUSCAN survey program was not received before gridding commenced for this project.

Table 2.1. Multibeam bathymetry data collected between April 1999 and March 2003 added to the Geoscience Australia database.

Survey Name	Platform	Year	Institution	Area	No. of Points
SONNE136	R/V <i>Sonne</i>	1999	GEOMAR	South Tasman Rise/Macquarie Ridge	15,649,941
AUSTREA 3	R/V <i>L'atalante</i>	2000	GA/IFREMER	Norfolk Ridge	1,057,372
EWINGEW0113	R/V <i>Maurice Ewing</i>	2001	LDGO	Exmouth Plateau	14,477,979
EWINGEW0114	R/V <i>Maurice Ewing</i>	2001	LDGO	South Tasman rise	1,293,655
EWINGEW0201	R/V <i>Maurice Ewing</i>	2002	LDGO	Tasman sea East coast	2,337,566
BHP3300C1	R/V <i>Petr Kottsov</i>	2002	BHP/Billeton	Outer Browse basin	15,985,715
SONNE168	R/V <i>Sonne</i>	2002	GEOMAR	Tasman sea East coast	10,574,537
AUSCAN 1	R/V <i>Marion Dufresne II</i>	2003	GA/IPEV	Great Australian Bight	0*
Total					61,376,765

Single-beam echosounder (ship-track) data recorded during R/V *Franklin* and R/V *Southern Surveyor* surveys completed between 1990 and 2001 were added to the database. Whilst navigational accuracy was generally assumed to be <10 m, vertical accuracy showed datum shifts of 3–5 m when compared to the Fairsheet data. For this reason the continental shelf data were not used. Data acquired in water depths >300 m might exhibit this vertical error but were retained due to the reduced relative error and lack of conflicting datasets.

The distribution of newly acquired bathymetry data added to the Geoscience Australia database as part of this project is shown in Figures 2.2 (A-F). The areas that have had the most new data added are the western margin, and parts of the northern and Torres Strait margins (Fig. 2.2).

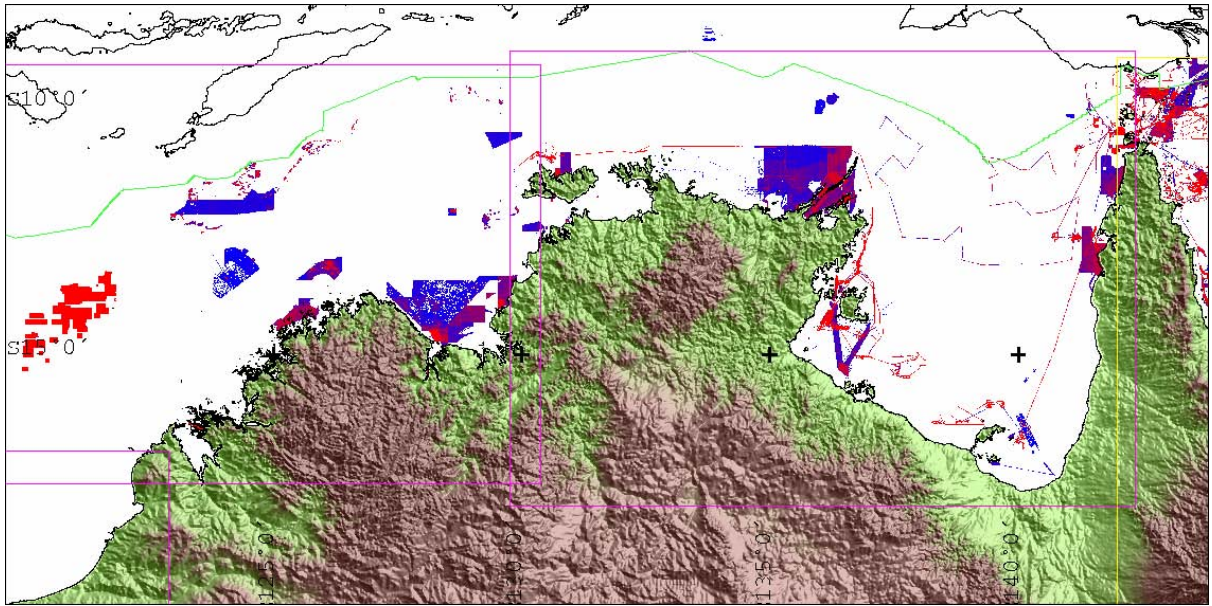


Figure 2.2. Bathymetric data added to the Geoscience Australia database. (A) Northern margin. Red >200 data points km⁻² (LADS, Multibeam sonar datasets and high density vertical soundings); Purple 20-200 data points km⁻²; Blue <20 data points km⁻² (Vertical soundings and digitised fairsheets).

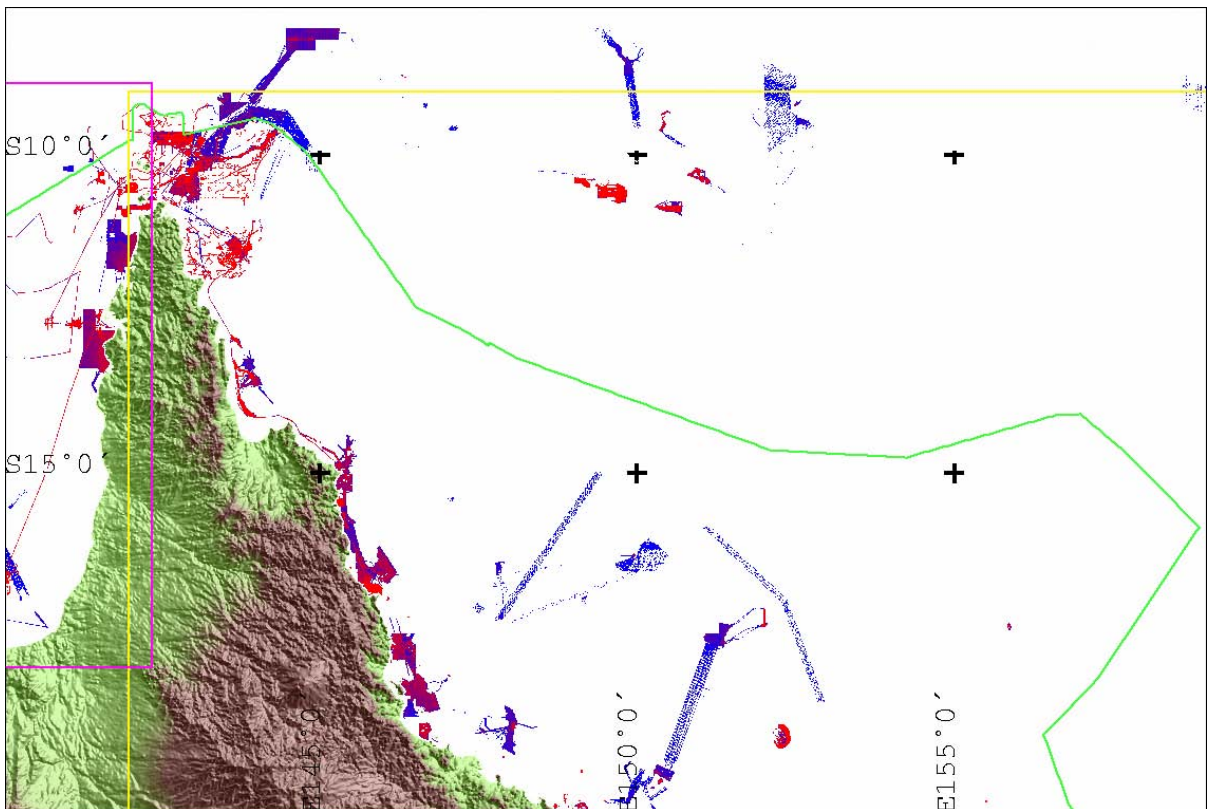


Figure 2.2– Con't. (B) Northeast margin.

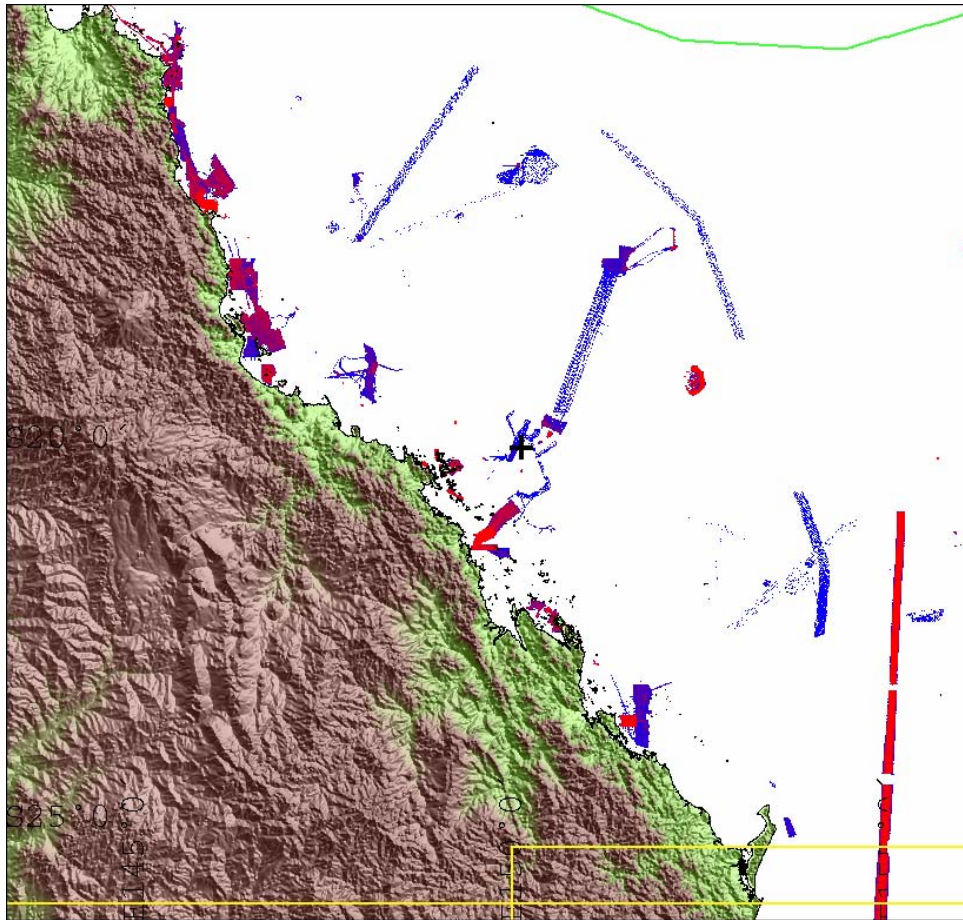


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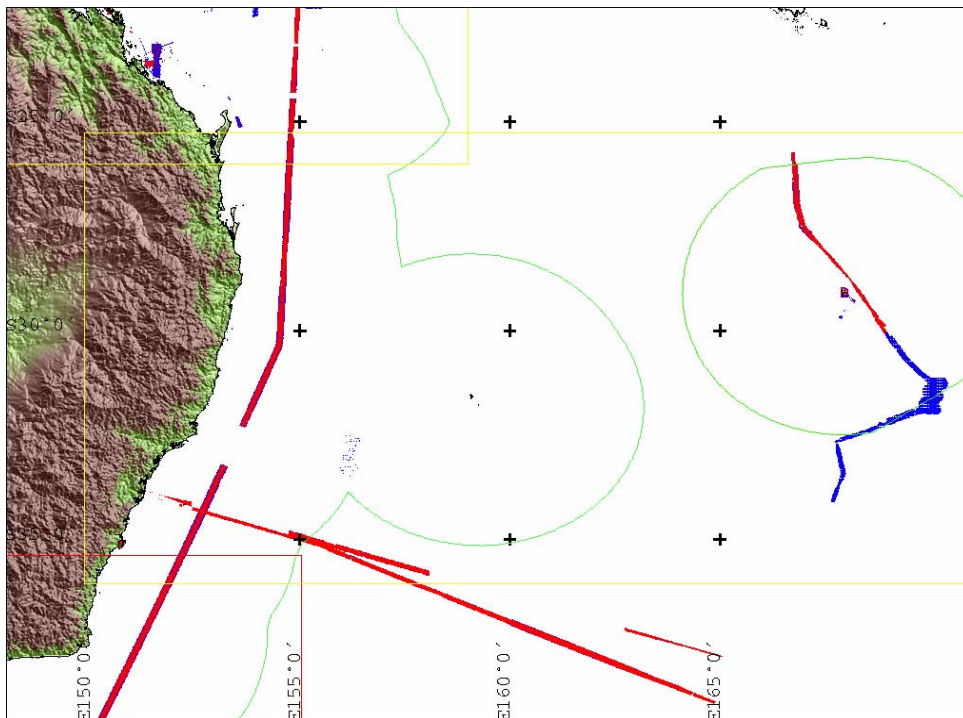


Figure 2.2– Con't. (D) Eastern margin

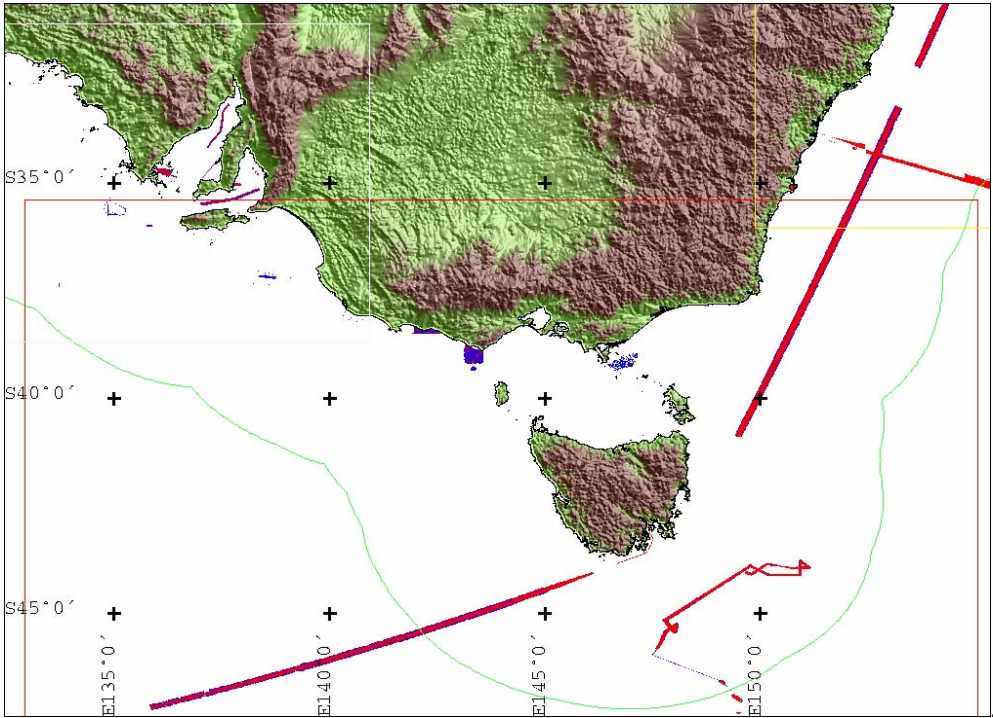


Figure 2.2- Con't. (E) Southeast margin.

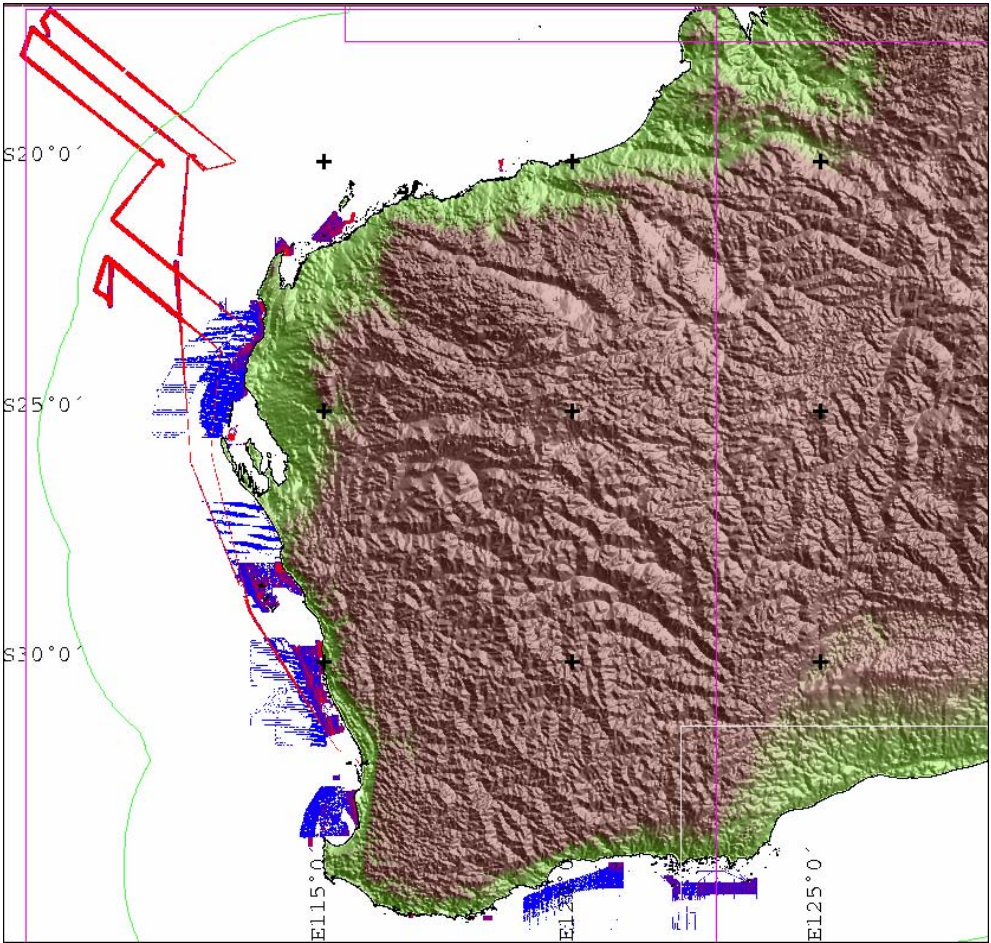


Figure 2.2.-Con't. (F) Western margin.

2.2. Creating bathymetric grids from the database

The primary aim of this compilation was to produce a topographic grid of the seabed for Australia's continental margins for the purposes of geological interpretation, and to provide a fundamental layer for an integrated GIS. The grid is not intended as a navigation aid, or to replace hydrographic products produced by the Australian Hydrographic Service. In order to produce a reasonably consistent grid, the ship-track data have been "levelled" to overcome the artefacts that would otherwise be generated at intersections.

Accuracy of water depth measurements depends on several factors, including the speed of sound used to convert echo sounder times to depth, and whether tidal and datum corrections have been applied. Sound speed varies depending on temperature and salinity of seawater. The sound speed used to calculate water depth and other processing parameters was not always recorded, but where available these corrections were used.

Processing included checking for data spikes and other noise. The effectiveness of the method was assessed by visual inspection. Regions of surveys that contained extensive noise were omitted.

The software program Intrepid™ was used to perform multi-pass gridding of datasets. The data used in this study contained a high variation in data distribution, which warranted the application of this multi-pass technique. The first pass grid was created at a coarse cell size of 0.0045° (500 m), and the values obtained are used as part of the dataset for the subsequent grid. The data density in many parts of the Australian continental margin is very low, and these areas have been supplemented with data from the grid of predicted bathymetry from satellite altimetry, which has a cell size of about $\sim 0.03^\circ$ or 3.7 km (Smith and Sandwell, 1997). The following grids were supplemented with predicted bathymetry: Christmas Island, Cocos Island, and the region between Norfolk Ridge and Lord Howe Rise.

The grids were computed from the processed data at a cell size of 0.00225° or ~ 252 m (Table 2.2). The minimum curvature tension parameter (Ct) is set at 0.5. This is a compromise between minimum curvature (Ct = 0) and minimum potential (Ct = 1). This is significant in areas of poor control, where minimum curvature generates a grid that smoothly "over-shoots" the data, and minimum potential produces cusps at data points. For gridding bathymetry, a Ct = 0.5 is sufficiently smooth yet retains some of the characteristic roughness of topographic data. Datum used for all grids is WGS84, Geodetic projection.

2.3. Generation of bathymetric and drainage maps

Bathymetric contour maps were generated from each grid at a scale of 1:5,000,000 using the ARCInfo *CONTOUR* program. This scale was selected in order to set a minimum size for the geomorphic features to be mapped (~ 10 km) in view of the overall quality of the available data and the selected grid size of 250 m (see section 2.4 below for rationale used in determining map scale and resolution).

Before contouring, the grid was smoothed using the *FOCALMEAN* program in ARCInfo. This routine was set to examine each cell location on an input grid of nine

points, find the mean of the values, and assign this value to the middle cell location on the output grid. This process was applied twice to each grid before contouring. Hence, the first smoothing is averaged over a length scale of 750 m and the second smoothing over 2,250 m.

Table 2.2. Gridding parameters.

Parameter	Value
Longitude W	102°E
Longitude E	172°E
Latitude N	8°S
Latitude S	52°S
Grid cell size	0.00225°
Coarse cell size	0.00450°
Minimum curvature tension	0.5
Maximum iterations	100
Maximum residual	1 m
Masking of no-data areas	Off
Additional smoothing	Off

The identification of shelf valleys and submarine canyons on the continental slope was aided by the use of predicted drainage maps. In order to predict a drainage pattern for each area using the ARCInfo drainage analysis program, each of the 250 m bathymetry grids was combined with a 250 m resolution topographic map of the onshore areas. Analysis of the combined bathymetric and topographic grids followed a set procedure, as follows:

1. Fill the bathymetric model to remove sinks and peaks (see below).
2. Calculate flow direction from bathymetric grid.
3. Calculate flow accumulation from above.
4. Eliminate excessive channels beyond required resolution.
5. Calculate stream order (STRAHLER or SHREVE); and
6. Convert results into a Arc/Info coverage.

Errors in data due to resolution or rounding errors create “sinks” or “peaks”, which must be removed to ensure proper delineation of drainage. The *FILL* command uses several ARCGrid functions including: *FLOWDIRECTION*, *FLOWACCUMULATION*, *SINK*, *WATERSHED*, and *ZONALFILL* to locate and remove sinks. The program iterates until all errors within the specified {z limit} are removed (e.g., Tarboton et al., 1991).

The direction of flow is determined by finding the direction of steepest descent from each cell. This is calculated as $drop = change\ in\ z\ value / distance * 100$, where the distance is determined between cell centres (Jenson and Domingue, 1988). Therefore, if the cell size is 1, the distance between two orthogonal cells is 1 and the distance between two diagonal cells is 1.414. If the descent to all adjacent cells is the same, the neighbourhood is enlarged until a steepest descent is found. If all neighbours are

higher than the processing cell, it is treated as noise and be filled to the lowest value of its neighbours and have a flow direction towards this cell. However, if a one-cell sink is next to the physical edge of the grid or has at least one *NODATA* cell as a neighbour, then it is not filled due to insufficient neighbour information. To be considered a true one-cell sink, all neighbour information must be present. If two cells flow to each other, they are sinks, and have an undefined flow direction.

As streams flow down-slope they may accumulate into a larger flow. This processes results in a stream network that is used as input to the *STREAMORDER*, *STREAMLINE*, and *STREAMLINK* functions (Jenson and Domingue, 1988), which use an appropriate threshold value for stream network delineation (Tarboton et al., 1991).

2.4. Geomorphic Feature Identification and Mapping

Geomorphic features were identified using the 250 m spatial resolution bathymetry maps with reference to previously published geological studies. As noted above, a scale of 1:5,000,000 was selected in order to set a minimum size for the geomorphic features to be mapped; hence a feature 10 km in size appears as 5 mm on the maps. This scale is reasonable, given the pixel size of the grid (i.e., 40 pixels x 250 m for a 10 km size object) and is consistent with the smoothing carried out for contour mapping (smoothed over 2,250 m; see above).

The vertical spacing of contours was set for 5 m on the shelf (0 - 500 m) and at 100 m for greater depths. The contour maps were supplemented by false-colour, azimuth illuminated, bathymetric images, generated by assigning a gradational colour value to each (un-smoothed) depth pixel. These false-colour images were generated for the shelf (colour ramped from 0-500 m) and for the entire margin (colour ramped from 0 m to the maximum depth occurring in the mapped area). The false colour images were useful for detecting some smaller, low relief features as the eye can discern subtle colour variations that might otherwise be missed on a contour map.

Terms and nomenclature used in this report to describe geomorphic features of the seabed are based on definitions endorsed by the International Hydrographic Organisation (IHO, 2001). Further details of these terms and documentation underlying their adoption by IHO may be found at the following internet address: <http://www.iho.shom.fr/publicat/free/files/B6efEd3.pdf> for complete IHO documentation (IHO, 2001).

For the purposes of this study, we selected 21 separate categories of geomorphic feature for mapping (Table 2.3) from the 53 feature types given by IHO (2001). The fewer number of features used here grouped similar geomorphic units (that might have different names) into single categories (e.g., "bank" and "shoal" are number 5; "deep", "hole" and "valley" are number 6; etc.). This decision was made to reduce the amount of time required to classify features. We also added a category for sandwaves (subaqueous dunes of Ashley et al., 1990) and sand banks (number 21) as we considered these features to be important geomorphic features on the shelf, even though they are not included in the list published by IHO (2001).

Table 2.3. List of geomorphic features. Definitions are from IHO (2001), except for sandwaves and sand banks, which are defined in Ashley et al. (1990).

No.	Name	Definition	
1	Shelf	Zone adjacent to a continent (or around an island) and extending from the low water line to a depth at which there is usually a marked increase of slope towards oceanic depths.	
2	Slope	Slope seaward from the shelf edge to the upper edge of a continental rise or the point where there is a general reduction in slope.	
3	Rise	Gentle slope rising from the oceanic depths towards the foot of a continental slope.	
4	Abyssal Plain	Extensive, flat, gently sloping or nearly level region at abyssal depths.	
5	Bank	Elevation over which the depth of water is relatively shallow but normally sufficient for safe surface navigation.	
	Shoal	Offshore hazard to surface navigation that is composed of unconsolidated material.	
6	Deep	In oceanography, an obsolete term which was generally restricted to depths greater than 6,000 m.	
	Hole	Local depression, often steep sided, of the sea floor.	
	Valley	Relatively shallow, wide depression, the bottom of which usually has a continuous gradient. This term is generally not used for features that have canyon-like characteristics for a significant portion of their extent.	
7	Trench	Long narrow, characteristically very deep and asymmetrical depression of the sea floor, with relatively steep sides.	
	Trough	Long depression of the sea floor characteristically flat bottomed and steep sided and normally shallower than a trench.	
8	Basin	Depression, characteristically in the deep sea floor, more or less equidimensional in plan and of variable extent.	
9	Reef	Rock lying at or near the sea surface that may constitute a hazard to surface navigation.	
10	Canyon	A relatively narrow, deep depression with steep sides, the bottom of which generally has a continuous slope, developed characteristically on some continental slopes.	
11	Knoll	Relatively small isolated elevation of a rounded shape.	
	Abyssal Hills	Tract, on occasion extensive, of low (100-500 m) elevations on the deep sea floor.	
	Hill	Small isolated elevation.	
	Mountains	Large and complex grouping of ridges and seamounts.	
12	Ridge	Peak	Prominent elevation either pointed or of a very limited extent across the summit.
			(a) Long, narrow elevation with steep sides. (b) Long, narrow elevation often separating ocean basins. (c) Linked major mid-oceanic mountain systems of global extent.
13	Seamount	Large isolated elevation, greater than 1000 m in relief above the sea floor, characteristically of conical form.	
	Guyot	Seamount having a comparatively smooth flat top.	
14	Pinnacle	High tower or spire-shaped pillar of rock or coral, alone or cresting a summit. It may extend above the surface of the water. It may or may not be a hazard to surface navigation.	
15	Plateau	Flat or nearly flat area of considerable extent, dropping off abruptly on one or more sides.	
16	Saddle	Broad pass, resembling in shape a riding saddle, in a ridge or between contiguous seamounts.	
17	Apron	Gently dipping featureless surface, underlain primarily by sediment, at the base of any steeper slope.	
	Fan	Relatively smooth, fan-like, depositional feature normally sloping away from the outer termination of a canyon or canyon system.	
18	Escarpment	Elongated and comparatively steep slope separating or gently sloping areas.	
19	Sill	Sea floor barrier of relatively shallow depth restricting water movement between basins.	
20	Terrace	Relatively flat horizontal or gently inclined surface, sometimes long and narrow, which is bounded by a steeper ascending slope on one side and by a steeper descending slope on the opposite side.	

21	Sandwave Sand Bank	Wave-like bed form made of sand on the sea floor. Submerged bank of sand in a sea or river that may be exposed at low tide.
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2.5. Procedure of Feature Identification and Mapping

Features listed in Table 2.3 were identified on the contour and false colour maps and drawn by hand onto transparent compilation maps. The identification of shelf valleys, basins and submarine canyons was aided by the results of a drainage analysis of the bathymetric model (Section 2.3). Any features described in previously published articles that we found in our literature search were also added to the compilation maps. Also available to aid in the interpretation were slope and aspect maps for each region, although in practice such maps were not found to be particularly helpful since the spacing of isobaths on the contour maps clearly represent information on relative changes in slope.

When completed, the compilation maps were scanned, georeferenced and the separate polygons were digitised. Each polygon was attributed to one of the 21 categories of geomorphic feature (Table 2.3) and stored as an ARC/GIS shape file. Care was taken where separate maps sheets joined to ensure that features were correctly identified and retained their identity across the boundaries. The final product was a single GIS layer of geomorphic features for Australia's EEZ.

2.5.1. Defining the Shelf Break and Foot of Slope

Two of the fundamental boundaries marked on the geomorphic features maps are the shelf break and foot of slope. The shelf break was picked by hand, by the identification of the sudden change in seabed gradient (highlighted by closely spaced contours) that occurs at the boundary between the outer shelf and upper slope. This is typically a simple and obvious choice for the interpreter to make, although there are some areas where the identification of the shelf break is not apparent. Examples include parts of the Timor Sea, the Arafura Sea and Rowley Shoals region, which are described in more detail in the results section (Chapter 3).

By contrast with the shelf break, identifying and mapping the foot of slope is a complex and non-trivial exercise. In the areas where Geoscience Australia has undertaken an analysis of the continental margin using the provisions set out in Article 76 of the UN Convention on the Law of the Sea, the foot of slope was picked from ship-recorded, bathymetric profiles extracted from Geoscience Australia's Ozmar2 database. This was accomplished by choosing the point of maximum change of gradient at the base of the continental slope on the particular profile. Profiles were selected on the basis of their orientation with respect to the margin, the quality (generally related to the age) of the navigation system, and location around the margin. Where a continental rise is present (defined in the scientific and technical guidelines to UNCLOS as "a wedge of sediment at the base of the continental slope"), the foot of slope usually corresponds to the slope/rise boundary. Two geographic areas around the Australian margin are named "rises" (i.e., South Tasman Rise and Lord Howe Rise), even though they are not part of the continental rise. These are elevated flat areas of seafloor classified here as "plateaus" (Table 2.3).

Determination of the point of maximum change of gradient was made with the assistance of a special extension written for ArcView, which identifies the changes in gradient down the profile between adjacent sample points. Several potential foot-of-slope positions (inner, intermediate, outer) were selected within the basal continental slope zone and then one was subsequently chosen as the 'preferred' pick, taking into account adjacent profiles

Elsewhere, a decision as to the location of the foot of slope was made by examining the change in gradient using the 250 m bathymetric model. We selected the foot of slope by eye, where the contour spacing increases from the slope to the abyssal plain regions. Abyssal plains are generally below 4,000 m water depth and are characterised by a low-gradient surface with a slope of <1:1,000.

Chapter 3. RESULTS

In this chapter, the results of the interpretation of the bathymetric maps are presented area by area, starting from the southeast and working clockwise around the continent. For each area, the key geomorphic features of the continental margin are described, drawing on work published in the scientific literature where available. The features were mapped and defined as described in Section 2.4.

3.1. Southeast Margin (Cape Howe to Kangaroo Island)

The southeast continental margin of Australia covers nearly 1.1 million km², extending from Kangaroo Island in the west to slightly north of Cape Howe on the south coast of New South Wales. The area encompasses Bass Strait and the continental margins adjacent to Tasmania (Fig. 3.1). Geomorphic features that have been named or that have been reported in scientific investigations are listed in Table 3.1 and the geomorphic make-up of the margin is provided in Table 3.2.

3.1.1. Continental Shelf

The geomorphology of the southeast margin and the origins and development of its geomorphic features can be directly attributed to the rifting of Australia and Antarctica and the opening of the Tasman Sea during the late Cretaceous and early Tertiary periods (Norvick and Smith, 2001).

The continental shelf including Bass Strait covers an area of about 215,000 km² (Table 3.2). In the SE region, the shelf extends from the coast to the shelf break at approximately 200 m water depth. Bass Strait, a seaway separating Tasmania from the mainland, is approximately 350 km wide and 500 km long, with an average depth of 60 m (Fig. 3.2). A comprehensive study of the submarine topography of Bass Strait was published by Jennings in 1958. He reported that the bathymetric Bass Basin, a shallow depression approximately 120 km wide and 400 km long in the centre of Bass Strait, occupies an area of >65,000 km² with a maximum depth near its geographic centre of 83 m. Two plateaus, the Bassian Rise and King Island Rise located on the eastern and western margins of Bass Strait, respectively, are composed of a basement of Palaeozoic granite. These features form sills separating Bass Basin from the adjacent ocean basins. Associated with the <50 m deep Bassian Rise is the Furneaux Islands, the largest of which is Flinders Island (max. elevation 760 m). The surface of the King Island Rise also occurs in water depths of <50 m, and includes the shallow (40 m) Tail Bank at its northern margin as well as King Island itself.

Subaqueous dunes (sandwaves) and tidal current ridges occur on the seabed over the Bassian and King Island Rises. Malikides (1988) estimated that subaqueous dunes cover approximately 6,000 km² of the seabed in Bass Strait (Table 3.2). Slater (1969) reported that Banks Strait exhibits a number of erosional (deep rocky channels) and depositional (tidal sand ridges and dunes) features. The largest of the tidal sand ridges, Moriarty Bank, lies east of Clarke Island and is approximately 20 km long and 4 km wide, orientated east-west, sub-parallel to the flow of tidal currents (Fig. 3.3).

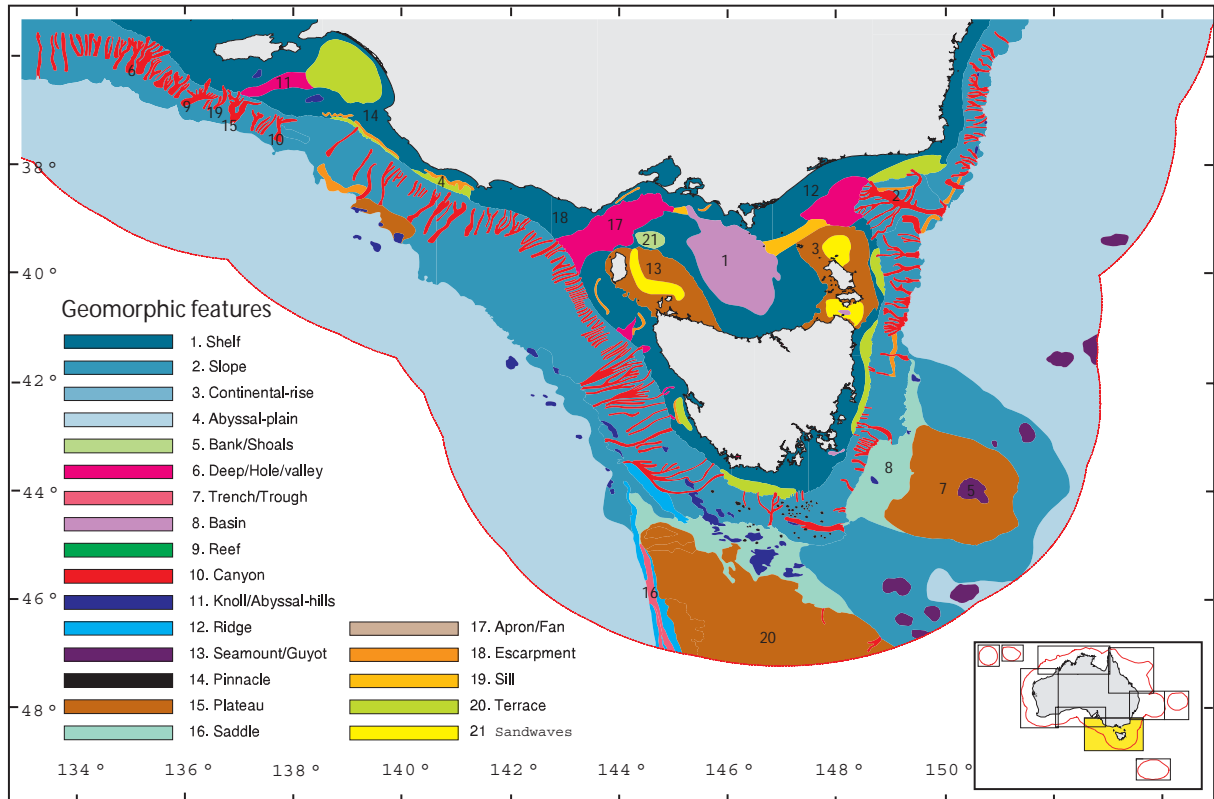


Figure 3.1. Geomorphic features on the southeast margin. See Table 3.1 for key to place names and Table 3.2 for surface areas of features.

A study of the Quaternary history of the Bass Basin was undertaken by Blom and Alsop (1988). They concluded that sea level fluctuations over the last 65,000 years isolated the basin from the sea. From prior to 60,000 to 26,000 yr BP and from 11,800 to 8,700 yr BP, Bass Basin existed as a freshwater lake or embayment.

These phases occurred when sea level fell below the western (Otway Depression) sill depth of ~67 m. During the last glacial maximum ~18,000 years ago, the basin was completely isolated and formed a brackish lake. Sea level rose rapidly during the post-glacial transgression and by 10,000 yr BP the basin was open to the Great Australian Bight on the northwest side, giving rise to a large marine embayment. Sea level continued to rise and the Bass Strait seaway was formed by about 8,000 yr BP.

On the Otway Shelf, Jennings (1958) mentions a submarine scarp between Barwon Head and Cape Otway, and Gill *et al.*, (1980) reported a submerged cliff, located in about 45 m water depth and extending for approximately 20 km between Point Roadnight and Sugarloaf Creek. In eastern Bass Strait, the main feature is the Flinders Depression, which is the shelf-ward continuation of Bass Canyon.

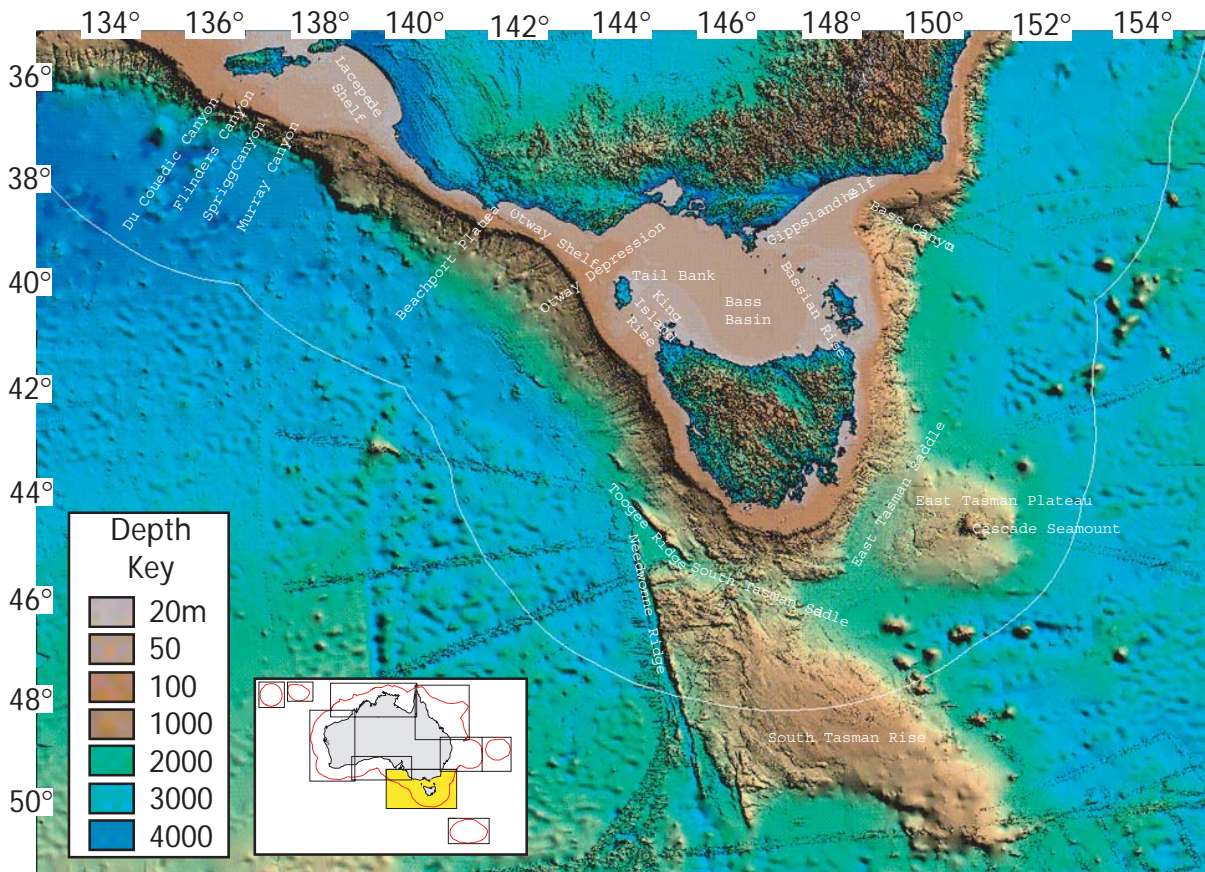


Figure 3.2. False-colour bathymetric image of the southeast margin.

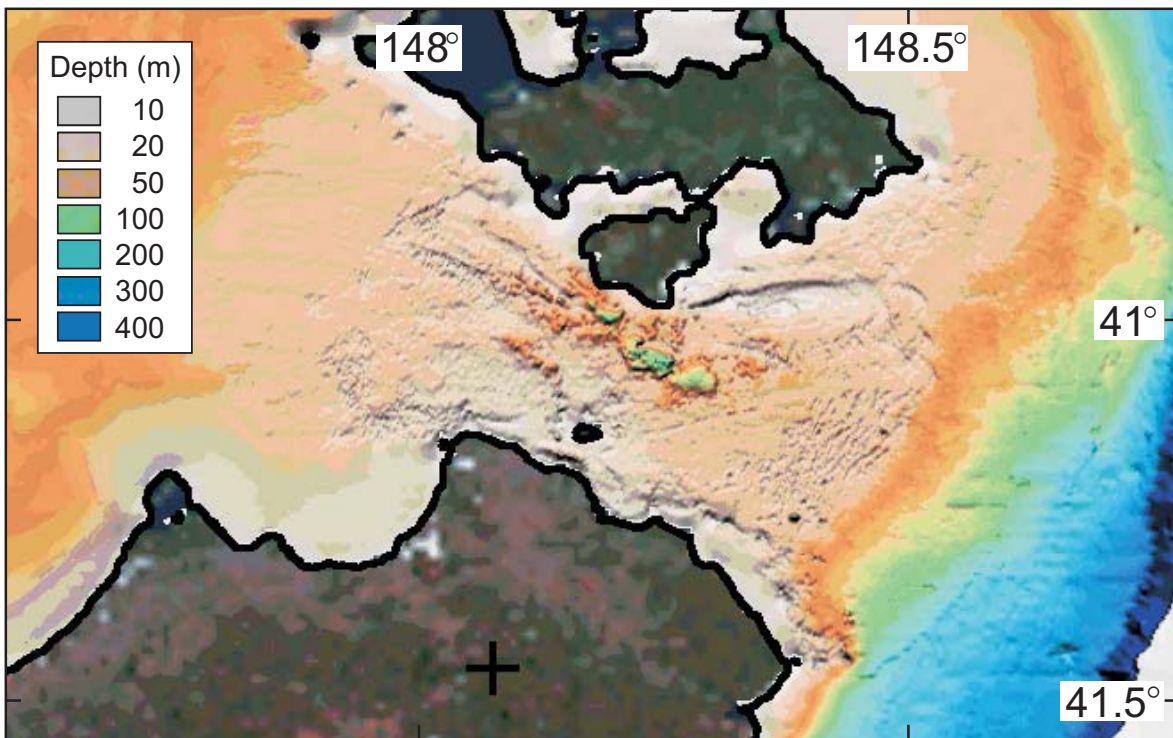


Figure 3.3. False-colour bathymetric image of the Banks Strait area of eastern Bass Strait, illuminated from the south, showing tidal current ridges, large-scale dunes (sandwaves) and tidally-scoured depressions on the seabed.

Other notable geomorphic features on the Tasmanian shelf include a channel (or basin) up to 120 m deep adjacent to Cape Pillar and elongate terraces, generally located on the outer shelf in water depths of 150-170 m, which trend parallel to the shelf break. Off Macquarie Harbour on the western coast of Tasmania, there is an inner shelf terrace located in water depths of 30-50 m bounded by an escarpment on its seaward side (Jones and Holdgate, 1980).

Further to the west, the Lacepede Shelf contains a single, broad terrace (70 km x 120 km) located between the 40 and 60 m isobaths (Bone et al., 1993). Seaward of this terrace is a broad local depression that leads to the upper part of the Murray Canyon system. This area includes the outlet of the Murray River (at the northern end of the Coorong). The Lacepede Shelf includes Pleistocene Murray River deposits corresponding to more active phases of the river system (Willcox et al., 1988).

3.1.2. Continental Slope and Rise

Recent swath mapping studies (e.g., Hill et al., 1995; Exon et al., 1997; Muller et al., 1997) have revealed that at moderate water depths (~3,500 m) the seabed of the continental margin south of Tasmania is characterised by gentle to moderate relief. At abyssal water depths, the seabed is characterised by gently undulating relief associated with irregular and faulted basement blocks and seamounts. To the east of Tasmania, numerous rounded to elongate seamounts rise as much as 1,300 m above the surrounding flat seabed of the abyssal plain. To the west of Tasmania, south of Cape Sorell, ~40% of the seabed is exposed bedrock, which forms extensive WSW-trending canyons, escarpments and basement blocks with moderate to steep relief.

East and northeast of Tasmania, mapping studies (e.g., Exon et al., 1994, 1997; Hill et al., 1998) reveal a steep and rugged continental slope and a narrow, shallow-gradient rise. Both the slope and rise are incised with numerous submarine canyons that are up to 30 km long and >500 m deep and connect directly to the abyssal plain (Conolly, 1968; Fig. 3.3). The largest of these submarine canyons is Bass Canyon, an ESE-trending funnel-shaped chasm 60 km long and 10-15 km wide at its mouth, located east of Bass Strait. The canyon has incised the margin to a depth of more than 2 km and is bounded to the north and south by steep bedrock walls that attain 1000 m in height. Bass Canyon drops away from the shelf break located at 100-150 m water depth to 1,500 m water depth over a distance of ~22 km (Keene and Hubble, 1985), giving an average slope of ~4°. Further east, the canyon floor depth increases from 1,500 m to 4,000 m over a distance of ~80 km (average slope of ~1.8°) where it debouches onto the abyssal plain in the Tasman Sea. The main canyon floor, located in water depths of >4,000 m, is connected to the continental shelf by three large, deeply incised tributary canyons and numerous smaller valleys. One of these, the Everard Canyon forms a tributary system, entering from the north. Numerous, mostly un-named submarine canyons dissect other parts of the slope, many of which are only poorly mapped using the available data (Hill et al., 2000; Fig. 3.4). Southwest of Tasmania, an extensive network of linear to curvilinear submarine canyons extend >60 km from the shelf edge to the base of the slope. In total, submarine canyons are extensive and cover >35,000 km² of the margin (Table 3.2). Also, small (<5 km width) perched basins have been described on the slope in some areas (e.g., seawards of

Cape Pillar; Harris et al., 1999) that are below the resolution of the mapping conducted for this study.

The continental slope on the southern and eastern margins of Tasmania extends offshore to encompass the East Tasman Plateau (on which the Cascade Seamount is perched) and the South Tasman Rise. The East Tasman Plateau, located approximately 100 km southeast of Tasmania, is a roughly circular broad dome of approximately 40,000 km² that rises from water depths of >3,300 m. Near the crest is the younger volcanic cone of the Cascade Seamount, which rises to almost 700 m water depth at the summit (Lanyon et al., 1993; Hill and Moore, 2001). The eastern flank of the East Tasman Plateau forms a steep (14°) 1,400 m high scarp that gives way to a gently rising terrace that intersects the base of the steeply sided Soela Seamount. The East Tasman Plateau also contains several smaller parasitic cones, both on the flanks of the seamount and along the terrace.

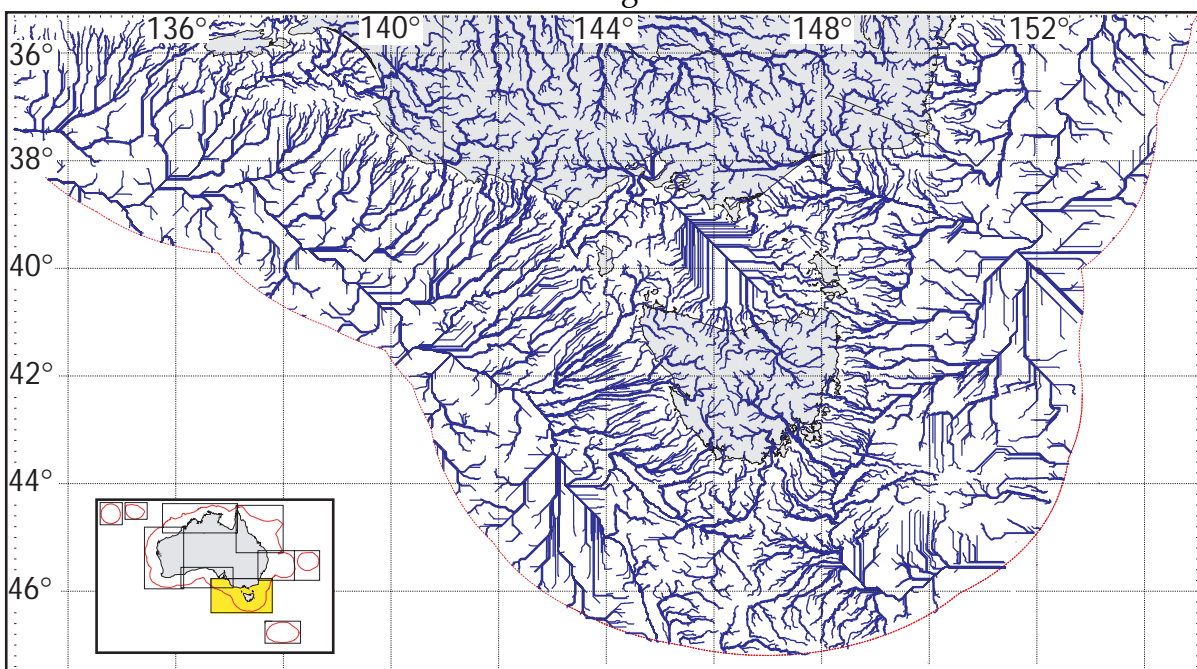


Figure 3.4. Predicted drainage system for the southeast margin, showing the positions of major submarine canyons on the continental slope.

The South Tasman Rise forms a NW-trending broad plateau approximately 1,000 km long and 500 km wide that is characterised by a rough, irregular surface surrounded by gentle slopes. It covers an area of approximately 200,000 km² and rises from water depths of >4,000 m to an elevation of 800 m (Royer and Rollet, 1997; Hill and Moore, 2001). At its southern limit, this fragment of continental crust extends the continental slope more than 200 nautical miles (>370 km) from the coast of Tasmania. On its western margin, the South Tasman Rise is flanked by the Tasman Fracture Zone, an extensive ridge-trench complex comprised of a series of high relief ridges and troughs (Fig. 3.1), with escarpments up to 2-3 km high.

The East Tasman and South Tasman Saddles, located in 3,000 m water depth, connect the East Tasman Plateau and South Tasman Rise to Tasmania (Hill and Moore, 2001). The morphology of the East Tasman Saddle starts out flat but then becomes more rugged with increasing water depth, containing extensive rock

exposures on the lower part of the slope. The South Tasman Saddle is characterised by rugged topography, with extensive rock exposure on the upper part of the slope, including jagged canyons (up to 250 m deep) and volcanic cones (up to 600 m high), which is also the location of the Tasman Seamounts marine protected area. Elsewhere small, localised areas containing ridges, pinnacles and valleys with relief of >100 m occur between extensive areas of moderately-graded, rough slopes and numerous (>70) volcanic cones.

Notable features along the continental slope of the Otway margin include the Beachport Plateau (Von der Borch et al., 1970), which is actually a terrace perched on the lower continental slope, surrounded by several hills. It lies in 900 to 2,700 m water depth. To the west of the Beachport Plateau there are two sizeable escarpments on the continental slope that were first described by Von der Borch and Clarke (1993) based on a GLORIA swath mapping survey of this area. Still further to the west, the Sprigg, Murray and Du Couedic Canyon systems dissect the continental slope over its full width (from the shelf break to foot of slope).

Table 3.1. List of previously described geomorphic features on the southeast margin. Features are numbered (left hand column) on Fig. 3.1.

No.	Geomorphic Feature	Feature Type	References
1	Bass Basin	Basin (8)	Jones and Holdgate (1980)
2	Bass Canyon	Canyon (20)	Keene and Hubble (1985)
3	Bassian Rise	Plateau (15)	Jennings (1958)
4	Beachport Plateau	Terrace (20)	Von der Borch et al. (1970)
5	Cascade Seamount	Seamount (13)	Bernardel et al. (2000)
6	Couedic Canyon	Canyon (20)	Von der Borch et al. (1970)
7	East Tasman Plateau	Plateau (15)	Exon et al. (1997), Bernardel et al. (2000)
8	East Tasman Saddle	Saddle (16)	Hill et al. (2000)
9	Everard Canyon	Canyon (20)	Conolly (1968)
10	Flinders Canyon	Canyon (20)	Conolly (1968)
11	Flinders Depression	Valley (6)	Jennings (1958)
12	Gippsland Shelf	Shelf (1)	Lavering (1994a)
13	King Island Rise	Plateau (15)	Jennings (1958)
14	Lacepede Shelf	Shelf (1)	Bone et al. (1993)
15	Murray Canyon	Canyon (20)	Von der Borch et al. (1970)
16	Needwonne Ridge	Ridge (12)	Exon et al. (1997)
17	Otway Depression	Valley (6)	Jennings (1958)
18	Otway Shelf	Shelf (1)	Boreen et al. (1993)
19	Sprigg Canyon	Canyon (20)	Von der Borch and Clarke (1993)
20	South Tasman Rise	Plateau (15)	Royer and Rollet (1997)
21	South Tasman Saddle	Saddle (16)	Hill et al. (2000)
22	Tail Bank	Bank (5)	Jennings (1958)
23	Toogee Ridge	Ridge (12)	Exon et al. (1997)

Table 3.2. Geomorphic make-up of the southeast margin. Code refers to the geomorphic feature type listed in Total area

Code	Geomorphic Feature	Km ²	Percent
1	Shelf*	219,349	18.36
2	Slope*	430,436	36.02
4	Abyssal plain*	545,226	45.63
	Total	1,195,011	100
1	Shelf*	116,893	10.92
2	Slope*	243,925	22.79
4	Abyssal plain*	428,749	40.06
5	Bank/Shoal	1,348	0.13
6	Deep/Hole/Valley	19,021	1.78
7	Trench/Trough	2,087	0.20
8	Basin	24,141	2.26
9	Reef	4	0.0004
10	Canyons	36,968	3.45
11	Knoll/Abyssal Hills/Hill/Peak	7,084	0.66
12	Ridge	5,845	0.55
13	Seamount/Guyot	9,087	0.85
14	Pinnacle	732	0.07
15	Plateau	106,026	9.91
16	Saddle	30,442	2.84
17	Apron/Fan	-	0.00
18	Escarpment	5,499	0.51
19	Sill	2,790	0.26
20	Terrace	22,469	2.10
21	Sandwaves/sand bank	7,837	0.73

* First listing of continental shelf, slope, and abyssal plain areas are total, mutually exclusive areas. Second listing of continental shelf, slope, and abyssal plain areas are less the surface areas of superimposed features (e.g., shelf area is total shelf area minus superimposed basin area, sill area, terrace area, etc.).

3.2. Southern Margin (Great Australian Bight)

The continental margin in Southern Australia extends approximately 1,700 km from Esperance, Western Australia, across the Great Australian Bight (GAB) to Kangaroo Island in South Australia (Figs. 3.5, 3.6). It covers an area of 692,670 km². The margin is a divergent, passive, continental margin that formed during the protracted period of extension and rifting (mainly during the Cretaceous) leading to the separation of Australia from Antarctica and Australia's subsequent northward drift (Willcox and Stagg, 1990; Norvick and Smith, 2001). Geomorphic features that have been named or that have been reported in scientific investigations are listed in Table 3.3 and the geomorphic make-up of the margin is provided in Table 3.4.

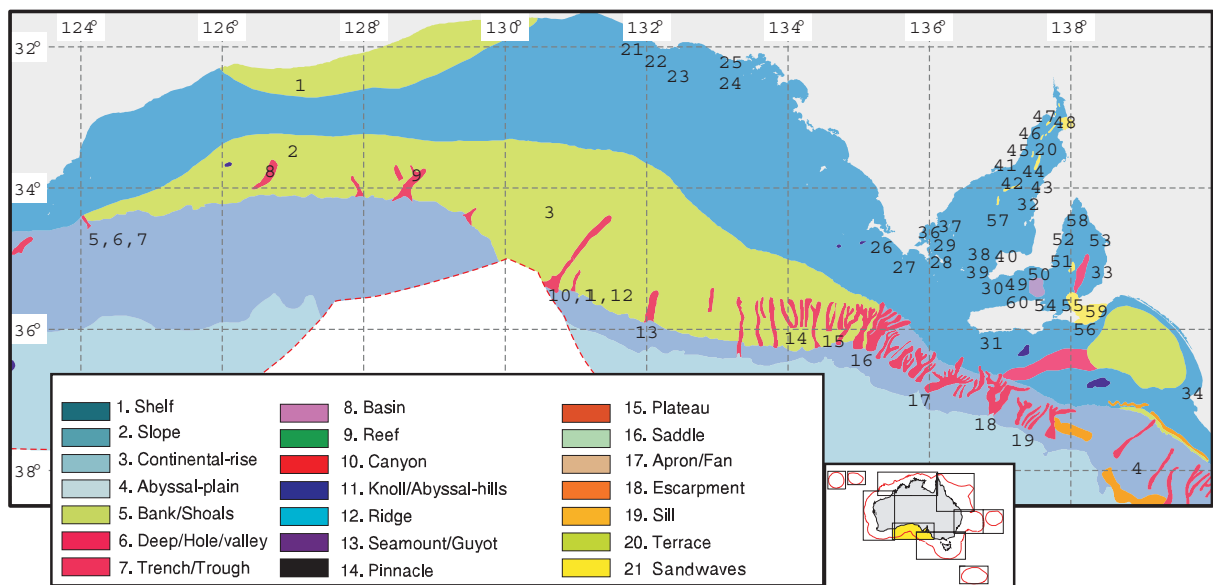


Figure 3.5. Geomorphic features on the southern margin. See Table 3.3 for key to place names and Table 3.4 for surface areas of features.

3.2.1. Continental Shelf

The continental shelf in this region is broad and arcuate in shape, with the GAB forming the dominant feature of the area. The GAB shelf is an immense, relatively flat, submarine plain 80 km wide at either end, expanding to 260 km in width at the head of the Bight. The shelf can be divided into the lower shoreface-inner shelf (<50 m water depth), middle shelf (50 to 120 m) and outer shelf, which extends to the shelf break (125 to 170 m). Along the margin, the outer shelf is 10 to 30 km wide, except in the west where the whole shelf narrows to <30 km (James et al., 2001).

The shelf is underlain by deep continental margin basins (Bradshaw et al., 2003) filled with Mesozoic terrigenous sediment and capped by approximately 800 m thick, largely cool water, Cenozoic, carbonate sediments (James et al., 2001). The GAB is bounded to the west by Archean and Palaeo-proterozoic crystalline rocks of the Yilgarn Craton and in the east by Palaeo-proterozoic rocks of the Gawler Craton (Bradshaw et al., 2003).

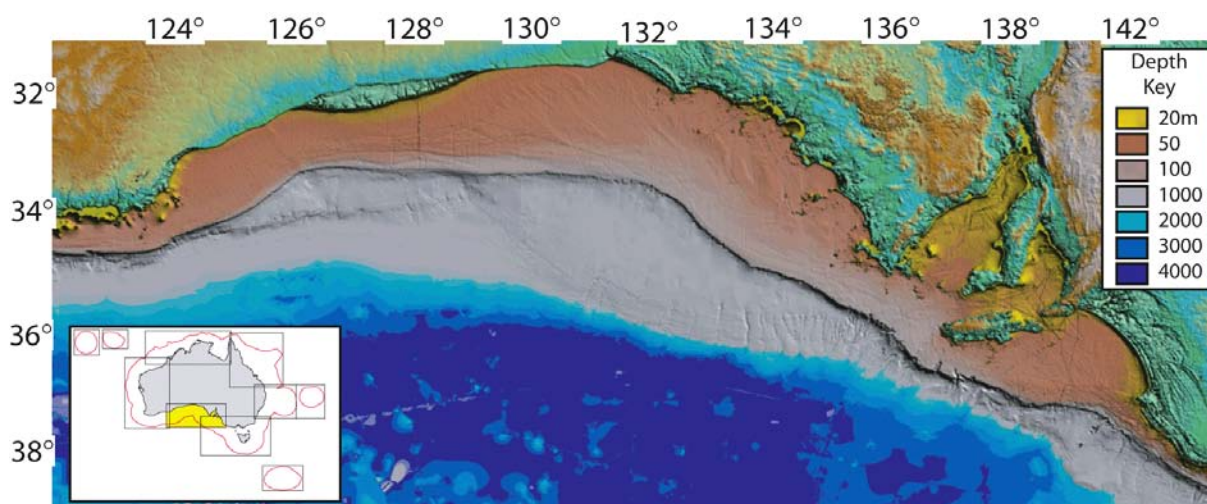


Figure 3.6. False-colour bathymetric image illuminated from the north of the southern margin.

The shelf in the GAB exhibits NW-SE trending features that are oblique to the coast. These features are possibly subaqueous dunes deposited by the eastern flowing oceanic currents such as the Leeuwin and South Australian Currents (Rollet et al., 2001). The oceanography of the shelf is dominated by storms, with the wave trains approaching mostly from the southwest (James et al., 2001). James et al. (1994) coined the term "shaved shelf" to describe the situation in the GAB, where biogenic sediment production is balanced by surface-wave erosion processes to yield zero net sedimentation. Sediments found in <100 m water depth contain mainly coarse-grained sand and gravel containing significant (>50%) relict and palimpsest fractions that attest to wave reworking and slow accumulation rates (James et al., 2001). Significant spiculitic carbonate mud deposition occurs on the upper slope (below storm wave base) where a 500 m thick prograding sediment wedge has been deposited in the Quaternary (Feary and James, 1998).

Spencer Gulf and Gulf of St. Vincent.— To the east of the GAB, the continental shelf narrows from around 100 km wide to 30 km adjacent to Kangaroo Island, and incorporates the Spencer and St. Vincent Gulfs. These Gulfs have a similar bathymetry, both being shallow and triangular in shape (Fig. 3.7). Spencer Gulf is the larger, 325 km long and about 100 km wide, and is 79 km wide at the mouth (Gostin et al., 1984; Noye, 1984). The entrance to Spencer Gulf is partially blocked by several small islands and has a maximum water depth of 50 m. It is connected to the Southern Ocean by channels that have average depths of 40 m. The depth of the Gulf is 40 m for 100 km northwards but then gradually shallows over the next 200 km towards the head. Three quarters of the area of the Gulf is less than 30 m deep. The Gulf is divided into two parts at a constriction, from Lowly Point across to Ward Spit, which limits the amount of water exchanged between the shallow upper regions and deeper lower regions (Noye, 1984, Gostin et al., 1988).

The Gulf of St. Vincent is about 130 km long and 70 km wide at the mouth, (Bye, 1976). It has a maximum depth of 41 m. Both the Investigator Strait and Backstairs Passage form a shallow sill to the Gulf and contain tidal current sand ridges stabilised by seagrasses (Harris, 1994a). The beds of both of these passages are

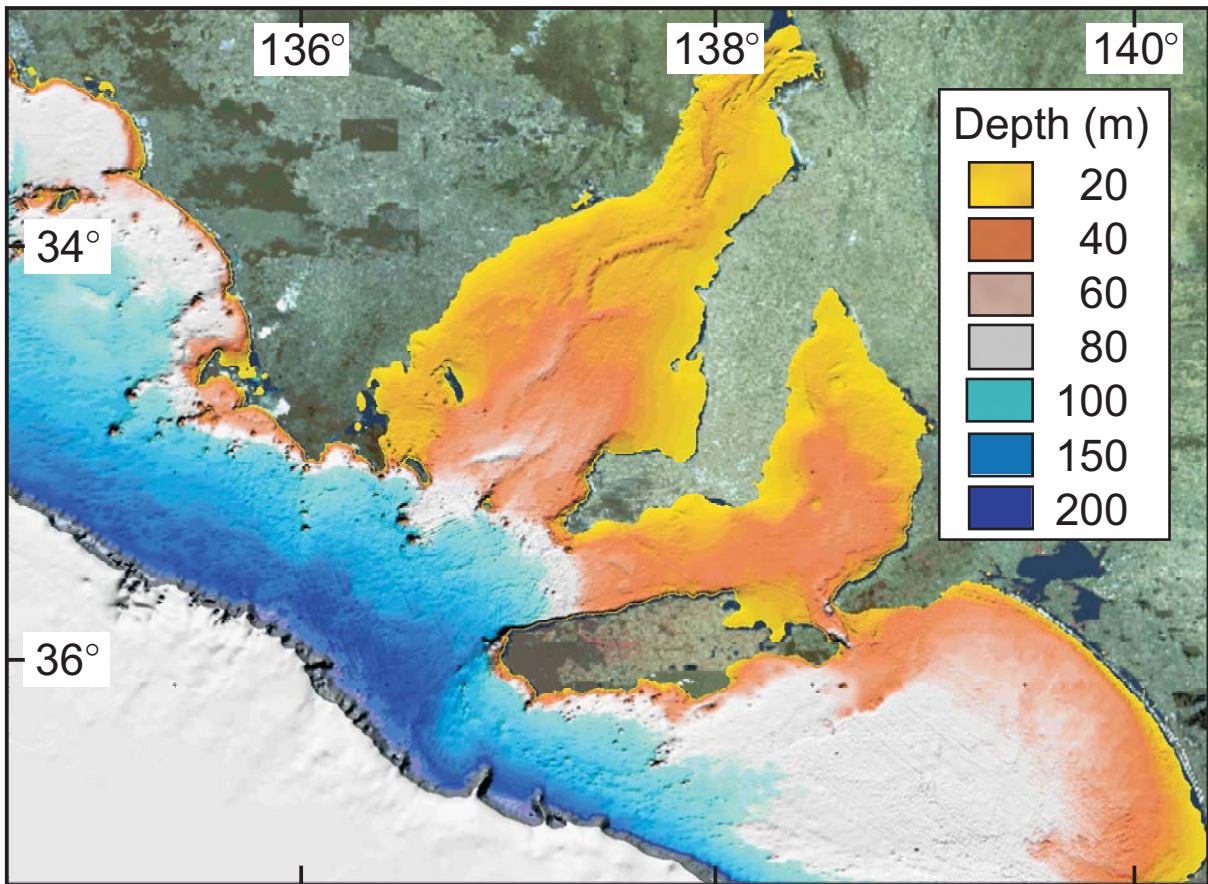


Figure 3.7. False-colour bathymetric image illuminated from the northeast, showing a close-up view of the Spencer Gulf–Kangaroo Island area. The upper regions of the Spencer Gulf contain tidal sand ridges that are partially stabilised by seagrasses (Harris, 1994a).

scoured by tidal currents, which have exposed the underlying bedrock in localised depressions (Gostin et al., 1988).

3.2.2. Continental Slope

Beyond the shelf, the GAB region contains a broad (up to 250 km wide) continental slope that includes several terraces (Wilcox et al., 1988). In the central and eastern regions, is the 700 km long Ceduna Terrace, which extends to water depths of 2,000 m. The Eyre Terrace (Conolly et al., 1970) extends from 200 to 1,000 m and borders part of the western margin (Wilcox et al., 1988). Along the western and central parts of the GAB, the lower continental slope forms a broad, low-gradient feature, the Recherche Lower Slope. This has been incorrectly termed a continental rise by some previous workers.

3.2.2.1. Terraces

Processes such as eustatic sea level rise, tectonic subsidence, and/or climatic change have been used to explain the formation of the terraces on the southern margin. The terraces are thought to correspond to a Late Cretaceous (Albian-Cenomanian) shelf that formed during the deposition of deltaic sediments derived from the erosion of the uplifted eastern Australia highlands (Totterdell et al., 2000, Norvick and Smith, 2000, Rollet et al., 2001). Since the beginning of the Tertiary the

southern margin has been sediment starved and dominated by cool-water carbonates. The Late Cretaceous shelf margin continued to subside throughout the Tertiary at a greater rate than the accumulation of carbonates. This resulted in the Tertiary shelf margin being inboard of the Late Cretaceous margin (Rollet et al., 2001). The terraces form a regional intermediate topography between the continental shelf and deep ocean, and probably consist of a sequence of former shelf sediments (Conolly and Von der Borch, 1967).

Eyre Terrace.– The Eyre Terrace is located in the west, and has a width of 200 km. It occurs in water depths of between 200 and 2,000 m (Rollet et al., 2001, James et al., 1994).

Roe Terrace.– The Roe Terrace is an area of shallow, smooth seabed 75 km wide off Eucla on the inner shelf, and occurs in water depths of between 30 and 50 m (James et al., 2001). The terrace was probably formed by marine erosion and cliff retreat throughout the Pleistocene and is veneered with a metre thick blanket of sediment (James et al., 2001).

Ceduna Terrace.– The Ceduna Terrace is located between 130 and 134° E, in the east. The terrace is up to 200 km wide and occurs in water depths of between 200 and 3,000 m (Rollet et al., 2001, James et al., 2001, Von der Borch, 1967a). The vertical relief on the terrace locally attains 150 m (Von der Borch, 1967a). The seabed gradient increases to 1:600 seaward of the incipient slope that separates the shelf from the terrace (Von der Borch, 1967a). The smooth surface of the Ceduna Plateau might be a relict depositional surface that has rough topography in areas where there has been subsequent erosion (Conolly and Von der Borch, 1967). It is a relict late Cretaceous shelf margin (Rollet et al., 2001).

3.2.2.2. Submarine Canyons

The continental slope of the southern margin contains numerous submarine canyons. The larger canyons were mapped from the bathymetric contours and drainage analysis (Fig. 3.8). The axes of the submarine canyons are generally oriented perpendicular to the shelf break, and the majority of them occur at considerable distances (up to 80 km) from the nearest landmass which suggests that they are probably inactive at present. The relative aridity of southern Australia, and absence of rivers in the region suggests that there has been little significant fluvial erosion or terrigenous sediment input to the margin during the Quaternary, although carbonate sedimentation on the margin has been prolific through this time.

Albany Group.– The Albany Group includes approximate 32 submarine canyons between Broke Canyon in the west and Malcolm Canyon in the east (Rollet et al., 2001). The Albany Group begins in its western extremity opposite the seaward extent of the Darling Fault, separating Perth Basin sediments from crystalline basement rocks. Offshore of Albany, the continental shelf is narrow and contains several indentations associated with slumps up to 50 km wide with a displacement of about 10 km down dip.

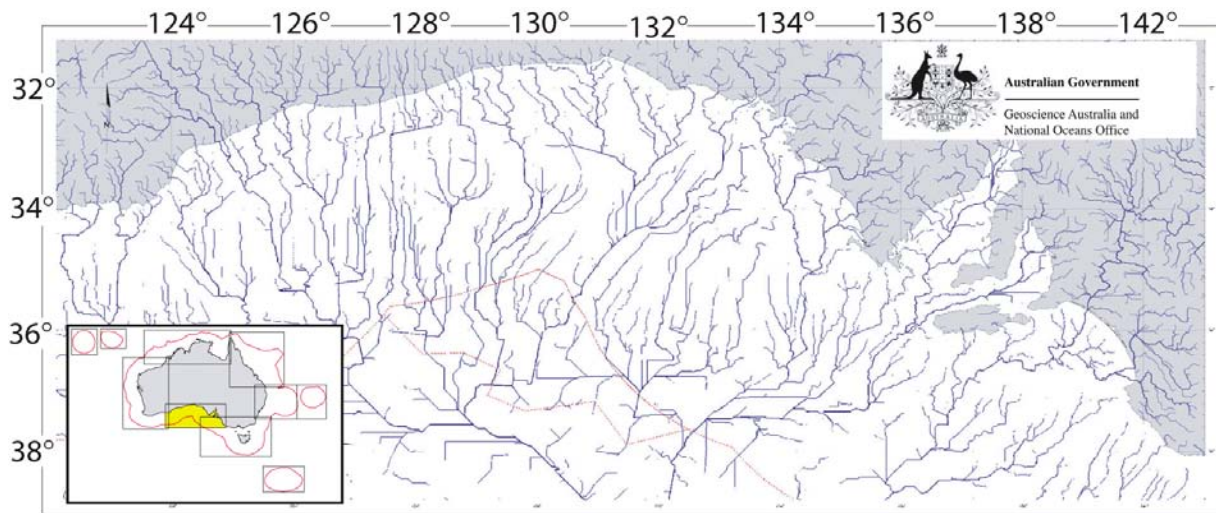


Figure 3.8. Predicted drainage system of the southern margin, showing the positions of major submarine canyons on the continental slope.

Esperance Canyon.— Esperance Canyon heads in about 100 m water depth about 30 km offshore from Esperance at the edge of the continental shelf. Upper reaches of the canyon are 16 km west of Termination Island in the Recherche Archipelago. A sediment-filled channel extending from Esperance may extend out to the head of the Esperance Canyon (Von der Borch, 1968).

Pasley Canyon.— Pasley Canyon is located at longitude 124° E. It lies opposite the eastern end of shallow basement rocks that crop out on the continental shelf and comprise the islets of the Recherche Archipelago (Von der Borch, 1968). East of Malcolm Canyon the trend of the margin changes from E–W to NE–SW. This change in orientation corresponds with the eastern edge of the Yilgarn Block and the western boundary of the Tertiary Eucla Basin onshore and a break between the Eyre and Bremer Basins (Rollet et al., 2001).

Eyre and Eucla Canyons.— Two large canyons, Eyre and Eucla Canyons, occur down-slope from the Eyre Terrace. A fault zone or structural boundary probably guides their locations (Rollet et al., 2001).

Nullarbor and Ceduna Canyons.— The eastern part of the Ceduna Terrace is incised by at least six canyons, including Nullarbor and Ceduna Canyons. Nullarbor Canyon is the largest and deepest in the area and is composed of a series of deep holes (Rollet et al., 2001). Ceduna Canyon is located at longitude 133° E and consists of a small V-shaped canyon with flat floor, lying opposite the boundary between the Eucla Basin and basement rocks (Von der Borch, 1968).

Murray Group.— The Murray Group of canyons is located between longitudes 135 and 138° E. The topography of the canyon slopes is extremely rough, and is characterized by small steep furrows and several large deep canyons. *Youngs Rocks*, 25 km north of the Murray Group, corresponds to areas of pre-Tertiary rocks of Upper Proterozoic to Cambrian ages, and intrusives of the Adelaide Syncline (Von der Borch, 1968). Murray and Sprigg Canyons are particularly large features each with vertical relief in excess of 2,000 m. The heads of the submarine canyons in this

group contain both amphitheatre and branching dendritic types (Conolly and Von der Borch, 1967).

Bridgewater Group.– The Bridgewater Group of canyons includes four, well-defined, steep, narrow V-shaped submarine canyons. The canyons are located opposite the Otway Basin and are formed in Tertiary and older sediments (Von der Borch, 1968).

3.2.3. Abyssal Plain

The foot of the continental slope was determined from UNCLoS positions and were used to define the boundary marking the edge of the abyssal plain. Picks were available from the west to longitude 134° E. In the east, the boundary was determined based on bathymetric contours. Bathymetry in this area was of insufficient spatial resolution to discriminate features confidently on the abyssal plain.

Table 3.3. List of previously described geomorphic features on the southern margin. Features are numbered (left hand column) on Fig. 3.5.

No.	Geomorphic Feature	Feature Type	References
1	Roe Terrace	Terrace (20)	James et al. (2001)
2	Eyre Terrace	Terrace (20)	James et al. (1994)
3	Ceduna Terrace	Terrace (20)	Von der Borch (1967b); Rollet et al. (2001)
4	Beachport Plateau	Terrace (20)	Von der Borch et al. (1970)
5	Cooper Canyon	Canyon (10)	Rollet et al. (2001)
6	Pasley Canyon	Canyon (10)	Von der Borch (1968)
7	Malcome Canyon	Canyon (10)	Rollet et al. (2001)
8	Eyre Canyon	Canyon (10)	Rollet et al. (2001)
9	Eucla Canyon	Canyon (10)	Rollet et al. (2001)
10	Nullarbor Canyon	Canyon (10)	Rollet et al. (2001)
11	Yatala Canyon	Canyon (10)	Rollet et al. (2001)
12	Adieu Canyon	Canyon (10)	Rollet et al. (2001)
13	Ceduna Canyon	Canyon (10)	Von der Borch (1968)
14	Fowlers Canyon	Canyon (10)	Rollet et al. (2001)
15	Topgallant Canyon	Canyon (10)	Rollet et al. (2001)
16	Lincoln Canyon	Canyon (10)	Rollet et al. (2001)
17	De Couedic Canyon	Canyon (10)	Rollet et al. (2001)
18	Murray Canyon	Canyon (10)	Von der Borch (1968)
19	Sprigg Canyon	Canyon (10)	Rollet et al. (2001)
20	Spencer Gulf Sand Banks	Sand Banks (21)	Gostin et al. (1984)
21	D'Entrecasteaux Reef	Reef (9)	R. A. N. (1997a)
22	Nuyts Reefs	Reef (9)	R. A. N. (1997a)
23	Yatala Reef	Reef (9)	R. A. N. (1997a)
24	Cannan Reefs	Reef (9)	R. A. N. (1997a)

25	Lounds Reef	Reef (9)	R. A. N. (1997a)
26	Stuart Reef	Reef (9)	R. A. N. (1997b)
27	The Cabbage Patch	Reef (9)	R. A. N. (1990)
28	Dangerous Reef	Reef (9)	R. A. N. (1990)
29	Buffalo Reef	Reef (9)	R. A. N. (1990)
30	Emmes Reef	Reef (9)	R. A. N. (1990)
31	Lipson Reef	Reef (9)	R. A. N. (1990)
32	Tiparra Reef	Reef (9)	R. A. N. (1992a)
33	Horseshoe Reef	Reef (9)	R. A. N. (1992b)
34	Margaret Brock Reef	Reef (9)	R. A. N. (1992c)
35	Breaksea Reef	Reef (9)	R. A. N. (1969)
36	Jane & Nicolette Shoals	Bank/Shoal (5)	R. A. N. (1990)
37	Rosalind Shoal	Bank/Shoal (5)	R. A. N. (1990)
38	Louise & Suzanne Shoals	Bank/Shoal (5)	R. A. N. (1990)
39	Lake Macquarie Bank	Bank/Shoal (5)	R. A. N. (1990)
40	Waller, Lawrey, Iron Wyalla, Brook & Packman Shoals	Bank/Shoal (5)	R. A. N. (1990)
41	Dillon Shoals	Bank/Shoal (5)	R. A. N. (1992a)
42	Clan Macdougall Shoal	Bank/Shoal (5)	R. A. N. (1992a)
43	Riley & Moonta Shoals	Bank/Shoal (5)	R. A. N. (1992a)
44	Middle Bank	Bank/Shoal (5)	R. A. N. (1992a)
45	Plank Shoal	Bank/Shoal (5)	R. A. N. (1992a)
46	Yarraville & Musgrave Shoals	Bank/Shoal (5)	R. A. N. (1992a)
47	Western & Eastern Shoals, Fairway Bank	Bank/Shoal (5)	R. A. N. (1992a)
48	Douglas Bank	Bank/Shoal (5)	R. A. N. (1992a)
49	Orcades Bank	Bank/Shoal (5)	R. A. N. (1992b)
50	Pt Davenport Shoal	Bank/Shoal (5)	R. A. N. (1992b)
51	Troubridge & Tapley Shoals, McIntosh Bank	Bank/Shoal (5)	R. A. N. (1992b)
52	Orontes Bank	Bank/Shoal (5)	R. A. N. (1992b)
53	Wonga Shoal	Bank/Shoal (5)	R. A. N. (1992b)
54	Landing & Hardstaff Shoal	Bank/Shoal (5)	R. A. N. (1992b)
55	Yatala Shoal	Bank/Shoal (5)	R. A. N. (1992b)
56	Sanders Bank	Bank/Shoal (5)	R. A. N. (1992c)

Table 3.4. Geomorphic make-up of the southern margin. Code refers to the geomorphic feature type listed in Table 2.2.

Code	Geomorphic Feature	Km ²	Percent
1	Shelf*	251,430	36.30
2	Slope*	257,670	37.20
4	Abysal plain*	183,570	26.50

	Total	692,670	100.00
1	Shelf*	226,590	32.71
2	Slope*	114,460	16.52
4	Abyssal plain*	183,560	26.50
5	Bank/Shoal	340	0.05
6	Deep/Hole/Valley	2,010	0.29
8	Basin	510	0.07
10	Reef	30	0.00
11	Canyons	16,890	2.44
15	Knoll/Abyssal Hills/Hill/Peak	290	0.04
18	Escarpment	380	0.05
20	Terrace	147,150	21.24
21	Sandwave/Sand bank	460	0.07

* First listing of continental shelf, slope, and abyssal plain areas are total, mutually exclusive areas. Second listing of continental shelf, slope, and abyssal plain areas are less the surface areas of superimposed features (e.g., shelf area is total shelf area minus superimposed basin area, sill area, terrace area, etc.).

3.3. Western Margin (Cape Leuwin to Northwest Shelf)

The western margin of Australia (Figs. 3.9, 3.10) is an Atlantic-type passive margin, where the Australian continent is moving away from the spreading centre in the Indian Ocean (Falvey and Veevers, 1974). The margin extends from Cape Leuwin in the south to the Northwest Shelf in the north, and represents an area of approximately 1,239,690 km². The geomorphic features of the margin owe their origins to the rifting of Australia and the opening of the Indian Ocean after the initial break-up of the Gondwana supercontinent between 95 and 83 Ma ago (Veevers, 1986). Major geomorphic features that have been named or that have been reported in scientific investigations are listed in Table 3.5 and the geomorphic make-up of the margin is provided in Table 3.6.

3.3.1. Continental Shelf

Recherche Shelf.— The Recherche Shelf borders the southern coast of Western Australia and extends from Israelite Bay located at the western edge of the Great Australian Bight to Cape Leeuwin (Carrigy and Fairbridge, 1954). The Recherche Shelf is 25 to 65 km wide and covers an area of nearly 65,000 km². Four main reefs, South West, Maude, Brown and Warren Reefs occur on the shelf (Royal Australian Navy, 1991; 1994), which is studded with islands of crystalline rock such as the Archipelago of the Recherche (Conolly, 1970; Conolly and Von der Borch, 1967). Bird (1979) describes the Recherche Shelf as having an inner zone of scoured rock platforms dotted with islands, and further towards the shelf edge there is a cover of shelly sand. The major portion of the shelf is a 20 to 50 km wide plain, to a water depth of 100 m. Further seawards, the shelf drops off rapidly to the shelf break at water depths of 110 to 150 m (Conolly and Von der Borch, 1967).

Rottneest Shelf.— The Rottneest Shelf extends from Cape Leeuwin to Geraldton (Carrigy and Fairbridge, 1954). The Shelf ranges in width from 45 to 100 km (Playford et al., 1976) and covers an area of approximately 52,000 km². The southern Rottneest Shelf is a distally steepened ramp-like surface, 43 to 93 km in width (Collins, 1988). Several large reefs are located along this sector of the continental shelf, and from south to north are named Geographe, Naturaliste, Bouvard, Murray, Coventry, and Horseshoe Reefs (Royal Australian Navy, 1988).

North of Cockburn Sound (Perth) the Rottneest shelf is characterised by luxuriant seagrasses growing on coralline-encrusted hardgrounds (James et al., 1999). An incipient rim on the outer shelf is capped further north by the Houtman Abrolhos reef platforms, which are the highest latitude reefs in the Indian Ocean. The reefs exhibit complex karst topography, with numerous doline "blue holes" as noted by Teichert (1947) and Fairbridge (1946). The reefs are not completely relict; there is widespread modern coral growth, and bore-holes from the reef's landward (eastern) side penetrated 25 m of Holocene reefal carbonate (Collins et al., 1996). On the outer shelf offshore of the Houtman Abrolhos reefs, Harris et al. (1991) described shore parallel ridge system backed by depressions. The ridges are defined by the shape of the 50 m contour, which delimits several shore-parallel ridges located seawards of the main reef complex. Ridges and depressions at about 90-95 m can be traced along the outer shelf for over 100 km along the shelf. Inshore of the 50 m isobath, the mid-

to inner-shelf is a broad planar surface, upon which the Houtman Abrolhos Reefs rest. Elsewhere, high-quality data are limited for the southern margin with the result that much of the physiography of the margin is still poorly known.

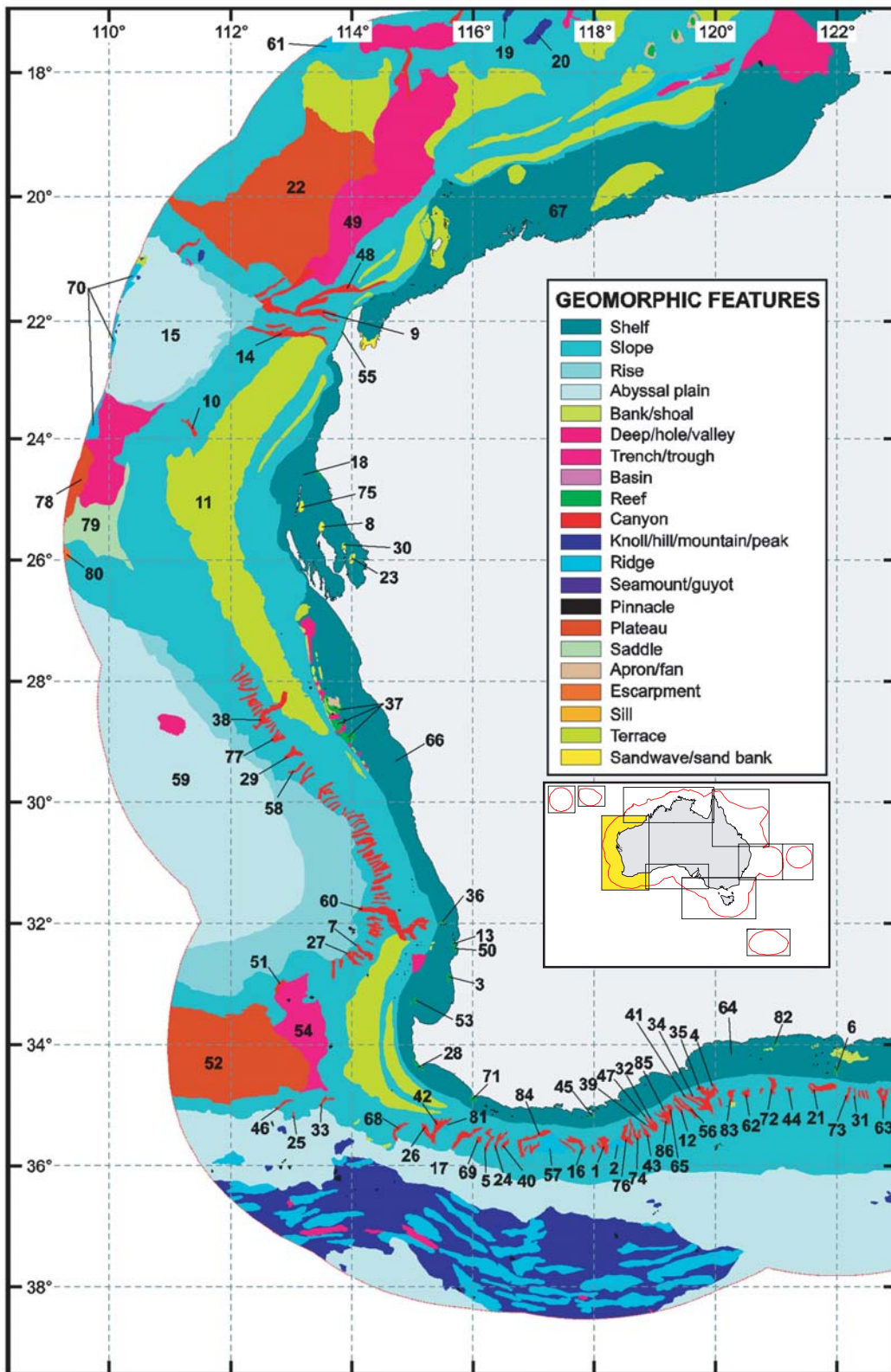


Figure 3.9. Geomorphic features on the western margin. See Table 3.5 for key to place names and Table 3.6 for surface areas of features.

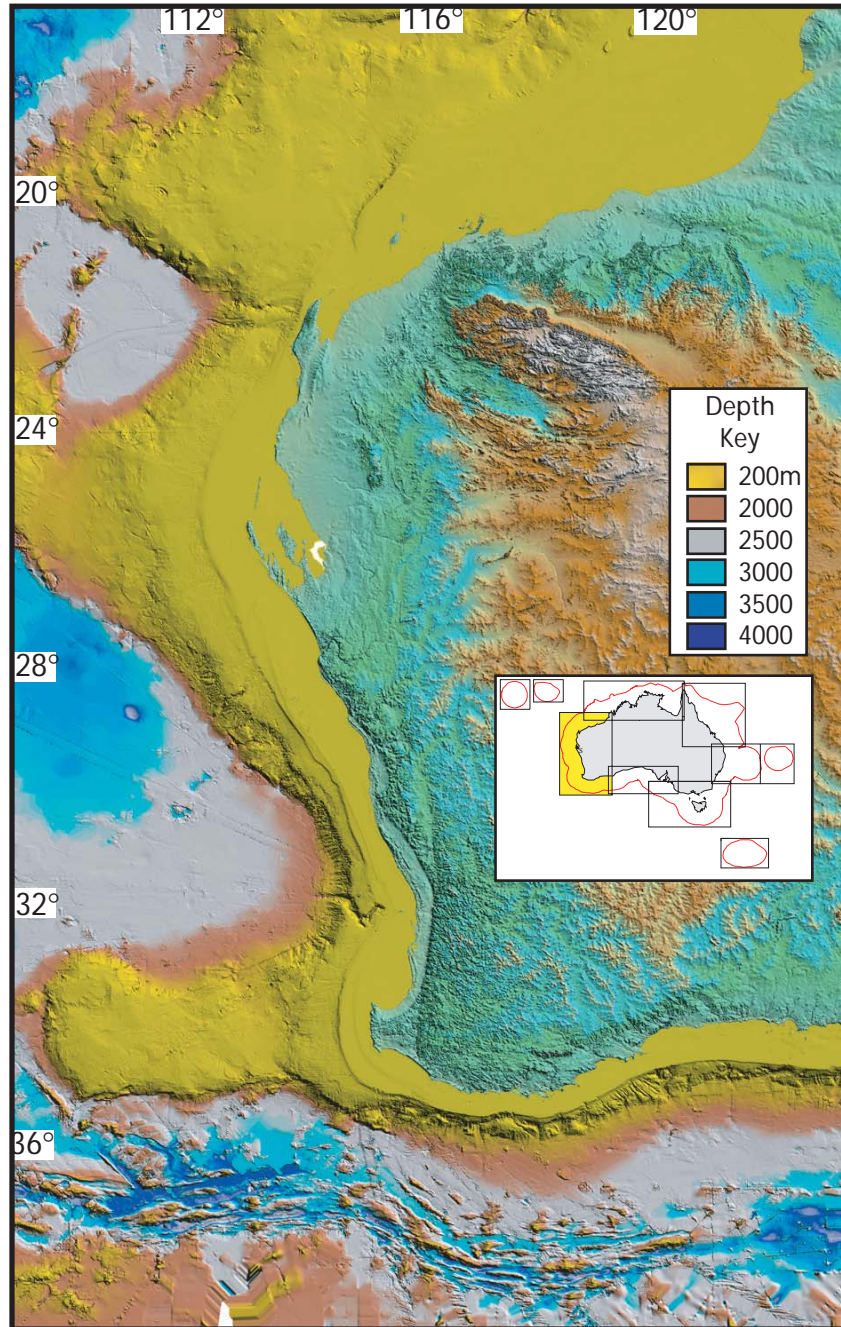


Figure 3.10. False-colour bathymetric image illuminated from the north showing the western margin.

Dirk Hartog Shelf.— The Dirk Hartog Shelf, also known as the Carnarvon ramp (James et al., 1999), extends from Shoal Point in the south to North West Cape in the north (Carrigy and Fairbridge, 1954). The shelf covers an area of approximately 77,000 km² and is about 70 km wide. A major geomorphic feature on this part of the shelf is Shark Bay, a shallow marine embayment of approximately 12,950 km² (Logan and Cebulski, 1970), which includes several sandbanks and low-gradient tidal flats (Faure, Cape Peron, Green Turtle Flats, and Uranie Bank). Shelf sediments offshore of Shark Bay are mostly relict, and are either sorted planktonic foraminiferal sands under strong bottom currents, or spiculitic mud. James et al. (1999) suggest that relict

sediments here are due to arrested carbonate sedimentation caused by downwelling and episodic outflows of saline, Shark-bay waters onto the outer shelf and upper slope. In the north, located between 20° and 22°S, is Ningaloo Reef, a 260 km long fringing reef that extends northeast along the shelf edge (Collins, 2002). Further to the south, the Perth Basin is a N-S trending feature that extends about 1,000 km beneath the coastal region and continental margin of southwest Australia (Marshall et al., 1989) and covers an area of approximately 45,000 km² off shore (Playford et al., 1976).

North West Shelf.— A major marine province of Western Australia is the North West Shelf, which extends for about 2,400 km along the northwest margin of the continent, between Exmouth Gulf in the south and Melville Island in the north. The continental shelf covers an area of approximately 720,000 km² (Exon, 1994), and the margin contains several large mid-slope marginal plateaus (Exmouth and Wallaby Plateaus) that occur in water depths of over 2,000 m (Exon, 1994). The southern region of the North West Shelf includes the Browse, Bonaparte, Canning, Roebuck and Carnarvon Basins (Purcell and Purcell, 1988). The shelf width ranges from 16 km off North West Cape to 200 km near the Rowley Shoals (Jones, 1971, 1973; Purcell and Purcell, 1988).

Rowley Shelf.— The Rowley Shelf is located between the Leveque Rise in the north and North West Cape in the south (Carrigy and Fairbridge 1954). The shelf covers an area of about 246,000 km². Within the Rowley Shelf, smaller segments of the continental shelf have been identified (e.g., Peedamullah Shelf, Preston Shelf). However, such shelf segments are generally related to more complex features than the shelf proper, because they can be traced onshore and their limits are based on fault zones. The shelf contains the Rowley Shoals, a chain of coral atolls that are of similar dimensions, shape, and orientation. The atolls are oriented N-S and are pear-shaped, with the narrow end towards the north. The Shoals rise with nearly vertical sides from water depths of up to 440 m (Jones 1973).

3.3.2. Continental Slope

Falvey and Veevers (1974) divided the continental slope into an upper slope (with a gradient of 2°-20°) and lower slope (with a gradient of 1°-2°). The slope is variable both in width and gradient, and is on average narrower in the southwest. Submarine canyons are abundant on the upper slope, and commonly occur in groups rather than as single incisions. South of the Carnarvon Basin, the upper slope is smooth and canyons are rare (Marshall et al., 1993). The lower slope incorporates several large marginal plateaus; from south to north these are the Naturaliste, Wallaby and Exmouth Plateaus (Symonds and Willcox, 1988). The base of the lower slope is distinguished by an abrupt reduction in gradient, with the rise (where developed) extending from the base of the lower slope to the abyssal plain.

West of Rottnest Island, about 50 km offshore from the Swan River Estuary is the Perth Canyon, a large submarine canyon of similar dimensions to Bass Canyon on the southeast margin (Fig. 3.11). The canyon is about 160 km long and debouches on to the abyssal plain north of the Naturaliste Plateau, but the head of the canyon does not extend eastward onto the continental shelf (Playford et al., 1976). Along its

upper course, smaller feeder canyons divided by terraces, enter the main canyon from the southeast (Fig. 3.11).

Submarine canyons are very well developed all along the southwestern continental margin, particularly west of 122° E (Fig. 3.9). Von der Borch (1968) mapped, named and grouped a large number of these canyons. The canyon morphology is described in section 3.2. However, 40 of the main canyons in the Albany Group that occur on the western margin are listed in Table 1. Other canyons also appear in the Offshore Resource Map Series (Jongsma et al., 1990; 1991; Jongsma and Johnston, 1993), in the nautical charts of the Royal Australian Navy (1994) and in the seabed character mapping of the Great Australian Bight by Rollet et al. (2001). In the north, two large canyons occur west of Cape Exmouth and west of the Rowley Shoals (Figs. 3.9 and 3.12).

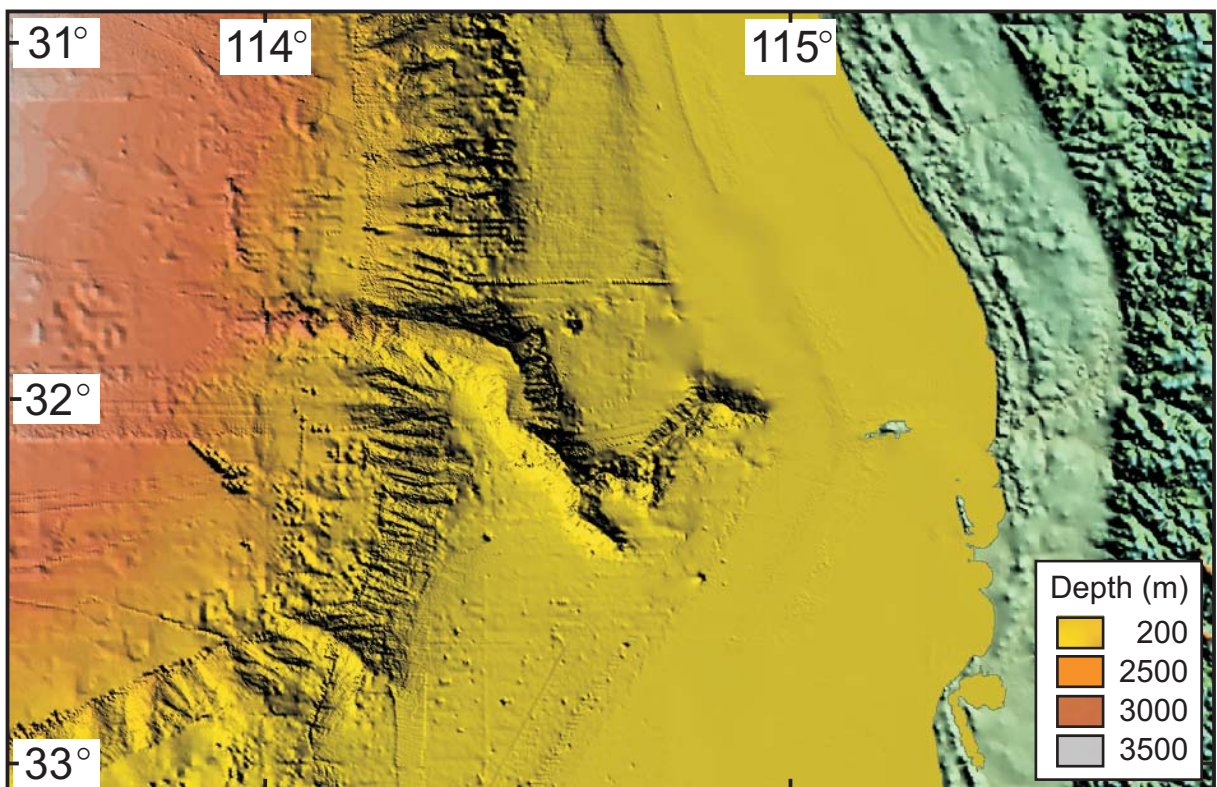


Figure 3.11. False-colour bathymetric image illuminated from the north showing the Perth Canyon.

Naturaliste Plateau.— The Naturaliste Plateau is located approximately 260 km west of Cape Leeuwin and Cape Naturaliste in water depths of approximately 2,000 to 5,000 m. It covers an area of approximately 90,000 km² and is up to 400 km wide and 250 km long. To the north, it borders the Perth Abyssal Plain and to the east is separated from the shelf by the N-S trending Naturaliste Trough (Borissova, 2002).

Carnarvon Terrace.— The Carnarvon Terrace is located east of the Wallaby Plateau and Wallaby Saddle and forms an arcuate shallow zone in the upper continental slope. It covers an area of about 80,000 km² and extends for 800 km between Geraldton and North West Cape (Symonds and Cameron, 1977). It extends between the 400 m and the 1,600 m isobaths and is widest about 115 km west of Carnarvon.

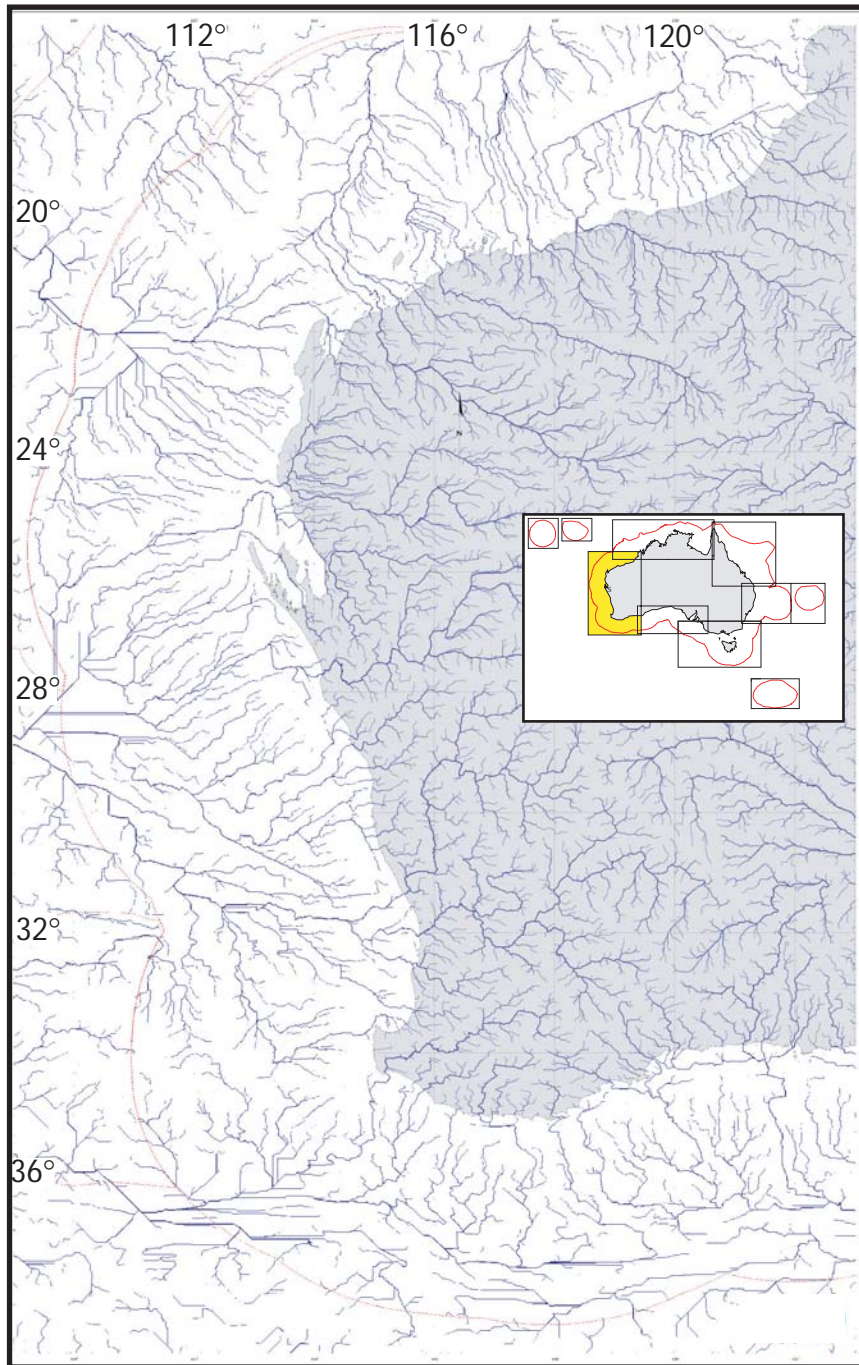


Figure 3.12. Predicted drainage system of the western margin, showing the positions of major submarine canyons on the continental slope.

Wallaby Plateau.— The Wallaby Plateau is located southwest of the Cuvier Abyssal Plain at a regional depth of 2,500 m. It comprises an asymmetric, dome-shaped, bathymetric high that tilts down towards the south. The Plateau covers an area of about 70,000 km² (Sayers et al., 2002), and is separated from the lower continental slope by the 100 km wide Wallaby Saddle, a deep northerly trending trough (Symonds and Cameron, 1977). Two N-NE trending ridges extend from the northern margin of the Plateau. In the west, the Sonja Ridge is about 40 km wide, 200

km long and commonly rises to water depths of around 2,600 m. In the east, the Sonne Ridge is up to 40 km wide, 230 km long and is located in water depths of 3,800 m. The Wallaby Plateau is bordered to the south by the NW-trending Wallaby-Perth Scarp (the Wallaby-Zenith Fracture Zone).

Exmouth Plateau.– The Exmouth Plateau is an extensive marginal plateau that represents a large block of continental crust that subsided after rifting and sea-floor spreading in the Indian Ocean. The Exmouth Plateau trends NE-SW, parallel to the coast and the area shallower than 2,000 m is approximately 150,000 km² (Exon and Willcox, 1980). Geologically, the Plateau forms part of the northern Carnarvon Basin (Hocking et al., 1987; Cockbain, 1989). The Plateau surface has a gradient <0.5° and is bounded by the 800 m isobath to the southeast, and by the lower continental slope to the north, northwest, and southwest where water depths range from 2,000-4,000 m (Stagg et al., 2003). The surface of the Plateau is rough and undulating and is between 900 and 1,000 m water depth. The western margin has a gradient of up to 3°. The Montebello Trough is a broad valley that separates the Exmouth Plateau from the upper slope (Falvey and Veevers, 1974). The major features along the northern margin of the Plateau, apart from the Montebello Trough, are the Platypus Spur, Wombat Plateau, Echidna Spur, Emu Spur and Swan Canyon with relief of >500 m (Exon and Willcox 1980). The largest canyons on the Exmouth Plateau are located along the northern margin, where their orientations are strongly controlled by major faults (Ramsay and Exon, 1994). Emu Spur is a N-trending broad ridge up to 350 m in height. The neighbouring Swan Canyon is a steep-sided submarine valley >500 m deep, that opens out on the Argo Abyssal Plain in water depths of >5,000 m. Smaller canyons also occur on the southern margin. The northern region of the plateau is characterised by northerly trending spurs and valleys.

3.3.3. Foot of Slope and Rise

The foot of slope in Western Australia forms a broad, seaward arc along the seaward margin of the Naturaliste Plateau that turns landward north of the Plateau into the Perth Canyon, before turning seawards again further north. A second major seaward excursion of the foot of slope occurs in association with the Exmouth Plateau.

The rise is generally a smooth sediment apron (e.g., south of the Exmouth Plateau), apart from northwest of the Exmouth Plateau where the surface is rough and undulating. South of 26° S, a NW-aligned escarpment bordering the Perth Abyssal Plain disrupts the rise. The rise bordering parts of the Scott and Exmouth Plateaus is narrow and has a rough surface. Along the Wallaby-Perth Scarp, the rise is located in water depths of between the 4,500 and 5,500 m and is of variable width. South of 28°S the width increases considerably (Marshall et al., 1989).

3.3.4. Abyssal Plain

Diamantina Zone.– The Diamantina Zone is an elongated area of the seabed that is characterized by very rough topography that has formed as a result of very slow seafloor spreading at the Southeast Indian Ridge axis (Mutter et al., 1985) The zone extends from the eastern edge of Broken Ridge in the Indian Ocean to 120-125° E (Talwani et al., 1978). South of Western Australia, the Diamantina Zone is about 200 km wide and consists of closely spaced E-W trending basement ridges and troughs

with relief of up to 4,000 m. The southern edge of the Diamantina Zone corresponds to a scar left in the topography by the rifting that separated Antarctica and Australia (Mammerickx and Sandwell 1986). The boundary between the Diamantina Zone and the Australia-Antarctica Basin further to the south is marked by a rapid shallowing of bathymetry from 6,500 m to 4,500-5,000 m and a change to smooth topography.

Perth Abyssal Plain.– The Perth Abyssal Plain is located in water depths of over 5,600 m. Along the Wallaby-Perth Scarp and the continental slope to the south, numerous canyons have acted as conduits for sediment the abyssal plain (Falvey and Veevers, 1974). Abyssal hills occur to the west and occur as low hills, blanketed with pelagic sediments, and sharp ridges. They trend NNE-NE and terminate abruptly along boundaries, which form northwesterly lineations, interpreted by Stagg and Exon, (1981) as possible fracture zones.

Cuvier Abyssal Plain.– The Cuvier Abyssal Plain is located in water depths of over 5000 m. It receives a large amount of terrigenous sediment from the continent. It deepens to the northwest to form a possible drainage system into the deeper Wharton Basin through a gap at 20° S and 108.5° E.

Table 3.5. List of previously described geomorphic features on the western margin. Features are numbered (left hand column) on Fig. 3.9.

No.	Geomorphic Feature	Feature Type	References
1	Albany Canyon	Canyon (10)	Von der Borch (1968)
2	Albany Spur	Ridge (12)	Jongsma and Johnston (1993a)
3	Bouvard Reef	Reef (9)	Royal Australian Navy (1988)
4	Bremer Canyon	Canyon (10)	Von der Borch (1968)
5	Broke Canyon	Canyon (10)	Von der Borch (1968)
6	Brown Reef	Reef (9)	Royal Australian Navy (1991)
7	Busselton Canyon	Canyon (10)	Jongsma and Johnston (1993a)
8	Cape Peron Flats	Sandbank (21)	Royal Australian Navy (1968)
9	Cape Range Canyon	Canyon (10)	Jongsma et al. (1990)
10	Carnarvon Canyon	Canyon (10)	Jongsma et al. (1990)
11	Carnarvon Terrace	Terrace (20)	Symonds and Cameron (1977)
12	Cheyne Canyon	Canyon (10)	Jongsma and Johnston (1993a)
13	Coventry Reef	Reef (9)	Royal Australian Navy (1988)
14	Cloates Canyon	Canyon (10)	Jongsma et al. (1990)
15	Cuvier Abyssal Plain	Abyssal Plain (4)	Falvey and Veevers (1974)
16	Denmark Canyon	Canyon (10)	Rollet et al. (2001)
17	D'Entrecasteaux Canyon	Canyon (10)	Von der Borch (1968)
18	Dirk Hartog Shelf	Shelf (1)	Carrigy and Fairbridge (1954)
19	Echidna Spur	Ridge (12)	Exon and Willcox (1980)
20	Emu Spur	Ridge (12)	Exon and Willcox (1980)
21	Esperance Canyon	Canyon (10)	Von der Borch (1968)
22	Exmouth Plateau	Plateau (15)	Exon and Willcox (1980)
23	Faure Flat	Sandbank (21)	Royal Australian Navy (1968)
24	Frankland Canyon	Canyon (10)	Jongsma and Johnston (1993a)

25	Freycinet Canyon	Canyon (10)	Jongsma and Johnston (1993c)
26	Gardner Canyon	Canyon (10)	Jongsma and Johnston (1993a)
27	Geographe Canyon	Canyon (10)	Rollet et al. (2001)
28	Geographe Reef	Reef (9)	Royal Australian Navy (1988)
29	Geraldton Canyon	Canyon (10)	Rollet et al. (2001)
30	Green Turtle Flat	Sandbank (21)	Royal Australian Navy (1968)
31	Hammer Canyon	Canyon (10)	Jongsma and Johnston, 1993b
32	Hassell Canyon	Canyon (10)	Jongsma and Johnston (1993a)
33	Hemelin Canyon	Canyon (10)	Jongsma and Johnston (1993c)
34	Henry Canyon	Canyon (10)	Royal Australian Navy (1994)
35	Hood Canyon	Canyon (10)	Royal Australian Navy (1994)
36	Horseshoe Reef	Reef (9)	Royal Australian Navy (1988)
37	Houtman Abrolhos	Reef (9)	Collins et al. (1997)
38	Houtman Canyon	Canyon (10)	Rollet et al. (2001)
39	Ichthyologist Canyon	Canyon (10)	Jongsma and Johnston (1993c)
40	Kargan Canyon	Canyon (10)	Jongsma and Johnston (1993a)
41	Kent Canyon	Canyon (10)	Jongsma and Johnston (1993a)
42	Knob Canyon	Canyon (10)	Royal Australian Navy (1994)
43	Leeuwin Canyon	Canyon (10)	Von der Borch (1968)
44	Manypeaks Canyon	Canyon (10)	Jongsma and Johnston (1993a)
45	Marlay Canyon	Canyon (10)	Jongsma and Johnston (1993b)
46	Maude Reef	Reef (9)	Royal Australian Navy (1984)
47	Mentelle Canyon	Canyon (10)	Jongsma and Johnston (1993c)
48	Mermaid Canyon	Canyon (10)	Jongsma and Johnston (1993a)
49	Montebello Trough	Trough (7)	Falvey and Veevers (1974)
50	Murray Reef	Reef (9)	Royal Australian Navy (1988)
51	Naturaliste Knoll	Knoll (11)	Jongsma and Johnston (1993c)
52	Naturaliste Plateau	Plateau (15)	Borissova (2002)
53	Naturaliste Reef	Reef (9)	Royal Australian Navy (1988)
54	Naturaliste Trough	Trough (7)	Borissova (2002)
55	Ningaloo Reef	Reef (9)	Collins (2002)
56	Pallinup Canyon	Canyon (10)	Jongsma and Johnston (1993a)
57	Parryville Spur	Ridge (12)	Jongsma and Johnston (1993a)
58	Pelsaert Canyon	Canyon (10)	Jongsma et al. (1991)
59	Perth Abyssal Plain	Abyssal Plain (4)	Falvey and Veevers (1974)
60	Perth Canyon	Canyon (10)	Playford et al. (1976)
61	Platypus Spur	Ridge (12)	Exon and Willcox (1980)
62	Powell Canyon	Canyon (10)	Rollet et al. (2001)
63	Recherche Canyon	Canyon (10)	Jongsma and Johnston (1993b)
64	Recherche Shelf	Shelf (1)	Carrigy and Fairbridge (1954)
65	Riche Canyon	Canyon (10)	Jongsma and Johnston (1993a)
66	Rottnest Shelf	Shelf (1)	Carrigy and Fairbridge (1954)

67	Rowley Shelf	Shelf (1)	Carrigy and Fairbridge (1954)
68	Scott Canyon	Canyon (10)	Rollet et al. (2001)
69	Shannon Canyon	Canyon (10)	Jongsma and Johnston (1993a)
70	Sonne Ridge	Ridge (12)	Sayers et al. (2002)
71	South West Reef	Reef (9)	Royal Australian Navy (1994)
72	Swan Canyon	Canyon (10)	Stagg and Exon (1981)
73	Termination Canyon	Canyon (10)	Jongsma and Johnston (1993b)
74	Tokes Canyon	Canyon (10)	Von der Borch (1968)
75	Uranie Bank	Sandbank (21)	Royal Australian Navy (1968)
76	Vancouver Canyon	Canyon (10)	Von der Borch (1968)
77	Wallaby Canyon	Canyon (10)	Jongsma et al. (1991)
78	Wallaby Plateau	Plateau (15)	Falvey and Veevers (1974)
79	Wallaby Saddle	Saddle (16)	Symonds and Cameron (1977)
80	Wallaby-Perth Scarp	Escarpment (18)	Symonds and Cameron (1977)
81	Walpole Spur	Ridge (12)	Jongsma and Johnston (1993a)
82	Warreen Reef	Reef (9)	Royal Australian Navy (1994)
83	Whale Canyon	Canyon (10)	Royal Australian Navy (1994)
84	Wilson Canyon	Canyon (10)	Von der Borch (1968)
85	Wilyunup Canyon	Canyon (10)	Royal Australian Navy (1994)
86	Wongerup Canyon	Canyon (10)	Jongsma and Johnston (1993a)

Table 3.6. Geomorphic make-up of the western margin. Code refers to the geomorphic feature type listed in Table 2.2.

Code	Geomorphic Feature	Km ²	Percent
1	Shelf*	195,270	15.75
2	Slope*	589,280	47.53
3	Rise*	59,750	4.80
4	Abyssal plain*	395,390	31.89
	Total	1,239,690	100.00
1	Shelf*	180,190	14.54
2	Slope*	356,200	28.73
3	Rise*	59,700	4.82
4	Abyssal plain*	285,600	23.04
9	Reef	1610	0.13
10	Canyons	22,630	1.83
11	Knoll/Abyssal Hills/Hill/Peak	66,990	5.40
12	Ridge	41,540	3.35
14	Pinnacle	800	0.06
15	Plateau	74,320	6.00

16	Saddle	7,880	0.64
17	Apron/Fan	240	0.02
18	Escarpment	240	0.02
20	Terrace	91,610	7.39
21	Sandwave/Sand bank	820	0.07

* First listing of continental shelf, slope, rise and abyssal plain areas are total, mutually exclusive areas. Second listing of continental shelf, slope, rise and abyssal plain areas are less the surface areas of superimposed features (e.g., shelf area is total shelf area minus superimposed basin area, sill area, terrace area, etc.).

3.4. Northern Margin (Northwest Shelf to Cape York)

The northern continental margin of Australia extends for more than 3,000 km from the Rowley Shoals in the west to Torres Strait in the east. A seafloor area of 1,537,010 km² lies between the coast and limit of the EEZ. The geomorphology of the margins and the origins and development of their geomorphic features can be directly attributed to the convergence of the Australian platform with Papua New Guinea and Indonesian archipelago, and associated down-warping and uplifting of different sections of the continental crust in the north, and the opening of the Indian Ocean and associated rifting and subsidence in the northwest. Major geomorphic features that have been named or that have been reported in scientific investigations are listed in Table 3.7 and the geomorphic make-up of the margins is provided in Table 3.8 and Figure 3.13.

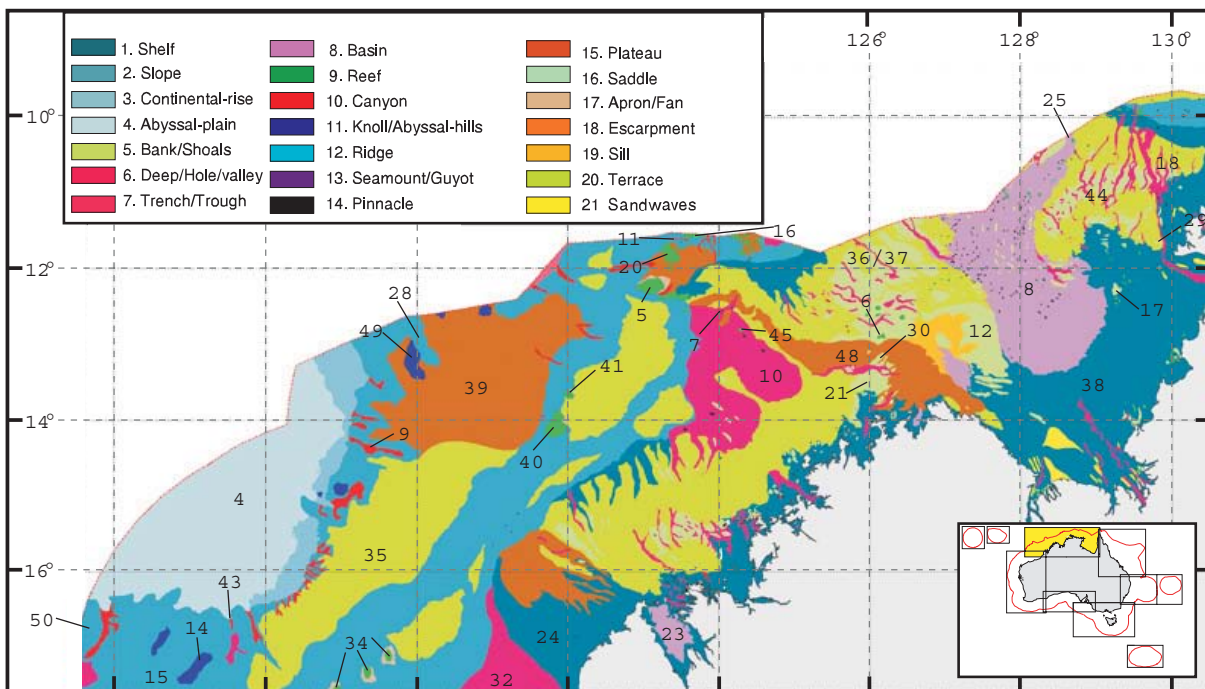


Figure 3.13. (A) Geomorphic features on the northwest margin. See Table 3.7 for key to place names and Table 3.8 for surface areas of features

3.4.1. Continental Shelf

The continental shelf of northern Australia covers an area of approximately 1,005,500 km² (Table 3.8). The shelf can be divided into several distinct geomorphic provinces: the Gulf of Carpentaria, Arafura Shelf, Sahul Shelf, and Rowley Shelf, all of which were drowned less than 18,000 years ago by the latest post-glacial marine transgression. The continental shelf is continuous between Australia and Papua New Guinea which formed an emergent land bridge during the last ice age (Harris, 1994b).

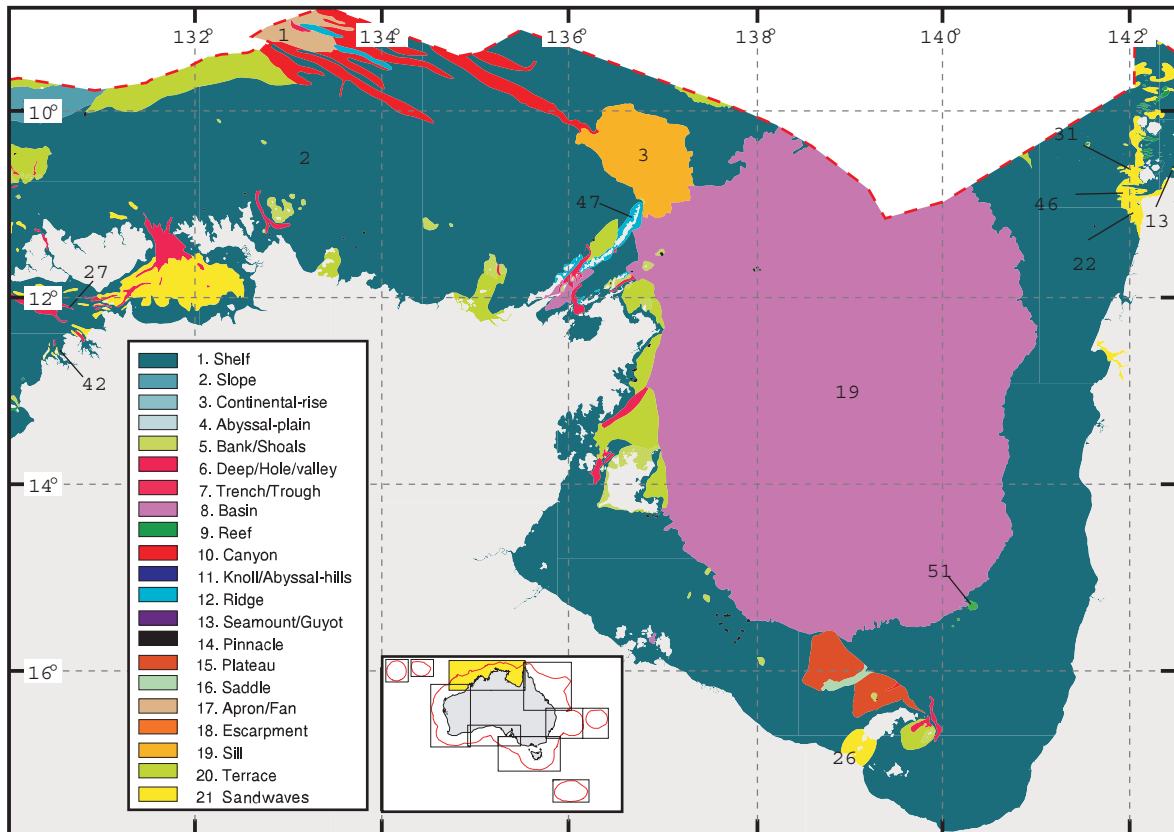


Figure 3.13–cont. (B) Geomorphic features on the northern margin. See Table 3.7 for key to place names and Table 3.8 for surface areas of features.

Rowley Shelf.– The Rowley Shelf is a low-gradient platform that covers an area of approximately 25,000 km² (Carrigy and Fairbridge, 1954; Fig. 3.14). The shelf break is almost indiscernible, with the profile of the shelf merging with the upper slope, in water depths of 300 m. Seawards of this is then the Rowley Terrace, which extends into water depths of >3500 m. Despite the difficulty in defining the shelf break, Jones (1973) suggested that the shelf width varies considerably, from >170 km in the north to <30 km in the south. The Leveque Rise separates the shelf from the Sahul Shelf to the northeast. Only the very northern part of the shelf is located in this region, and it is characterised by a broad seaward-sloping valley that extends beyond the shelf edge at about 200 m water depth and abuts the Leveque Rise to the northeast. Reefs, depressions and sand waves ranging in height from 5-10 m are locally present on the smooth shelf surface (Jones, 1973; Mcloughlin et al., 1988).

Sahul Shelf.– The Sahul Shelf is a shallow platform of complex topography. Broadly, it has a low relief, bowl-shape that is over 500 km wide at its widest point, and covers an area of approximately 415,000 km² (Carrigy and Fairbridge, 1954). Important geomorphic features of the shelf include the Sahul Banks, an extensive complex of algal banks on the outer shelf, and the Bonaparte Depression, a broad central depression on the inner to middle shelf regions. The shelf is bounded to the SW by the Leveque Rise, to the east by the Van Diemen Rise, and to the NW by the Timor Trough. The shelf break occurs at approximately 120 to 150 m water depth, and is shallower in the NE than SW.

An extensive system of reefs occurs at the shelf edge. North of Ashmore Reef, the reefs are made mostly of the coralline algae *Halimeda* as well as the skeletons of foraminifers and molluscs in lesser amounts. South of (and including) Ashmore Reef, the reefs are mostly constructed from the skeletons of hard corals. This zonation is caused by up-welling of cooler, nutrient-rich water from the Indian Ocean, providing ideal conditions for the development of hard corals. North of this latitude, water temperatures are too high due to the shallow shelf water depths and through-flow of warm equatorial water associated with the global ocean circulation through the Indonesian Archipelago (Heyward et al., 1997). The outer shelf regions are characterised by a nearly continuous chain of submerged carbonate banks that rise from water depths of 150 m, with some banks rising from depths of as much as 300 m. The banks are generally <math><10\text{ km}^2</math> in area with flat tops, and contain steep slopes of up to

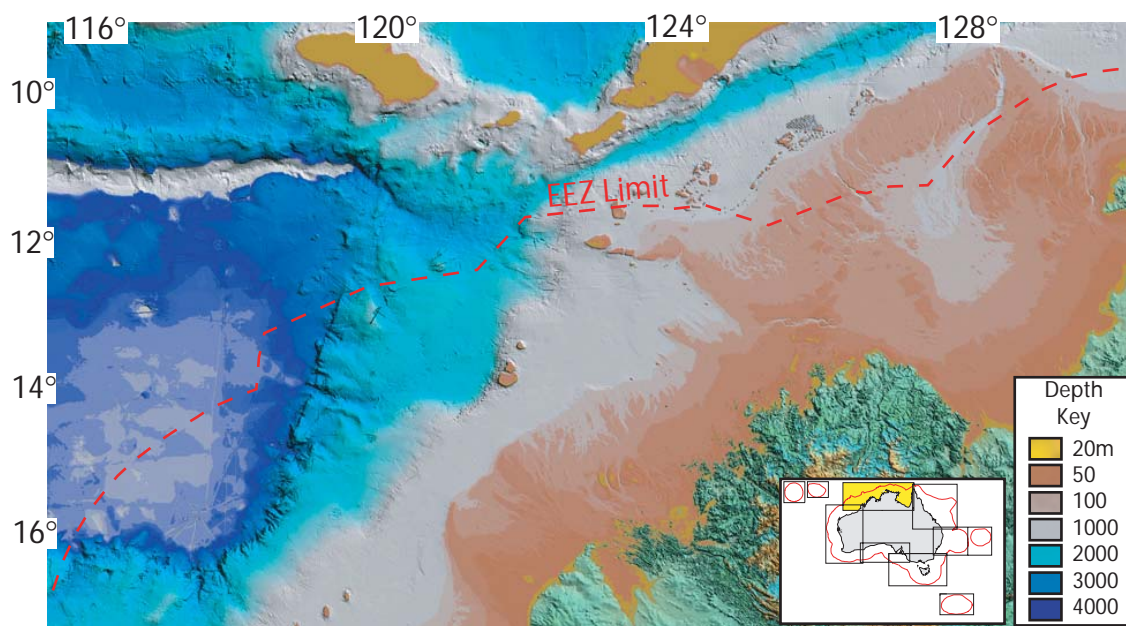


Figure 3.14. False-colour bathymetric image illuminated from the north showing the Timor Sea and Joseph Bonaparte Gulf.

Individual banks are separated from each other by narrow channels with sinuous profiles that are up to 150 m in depth. The channels shoal towards the shelf edge and terminate at about 90 m water depth. A broad deeper water terrace of regional extent surrounds the banks, and probably represents a wave-cut platform (e.g., van Andel and Veevers, 1967; Jones, 1973; Jongsma, 1974). Two major theories exist for the formation of the banks: 1) that they are drowned carbonate platforms that have been unable to keep up with sea level rise (e.g., Lavering, 1993, 1994b); and 2) that they are carbonate accumulations that have developed along hydrocarbon seeps, associated with microbial utilisation of hydrocarbons which promotes the precipitation of carbonate (Roberts, 1992).

On the inner and middle shelf is the Bonaparte Depression, a 45,000 km² shelf depression that forms an epicontinental sea with a maximum water depth of 155 m (Lees, 1992). The Londonderry, Sahul, and Van Diemen Rises bound the Depression. Small, steep-sided banks similar to those on the outer shelf fringe the valley on both

sides, rising from water depths of more than 100 m. Broad, stepped, level terraces bounded by steep scarps occur on the western and eastern flanks. The floor is relatively flat but is punctuated by numerous pinnacles and subaqueous banks of variable dimensions. Geological sampling (e.g., van Andel and Veevers, 1967; Marshall et al., 1994) has revealed that many of the pinnacles and banks are the remnants of calcareous shelf and coastal deposits that have been eroded to their present elevations.

In the north, the Malita Valley connects the depression to the Timor Trough. This valley exhibits a narrow, arcuate profile with steep sides that attains a maximum depth of >240 m between the Sahul and Van Diemen Rises. On the Londonderry Rise, west of the Depression, are numerous broad flat-topped banks that are separated by relatively wide, shallow channels. There is a well developed channel oriented east-west that crosses the eastern branch of the rise, dissecting the Penguin Shoals and Holothuria Banks, and connects the Bonaparte Depression with the Browse Depression to the west. Given its depth and connection with the shelf edge, the Bonaparte Depression would have been an estuarine embayment or shallow lake when the shelf was subaerially exposed. The topography of entire SE region of the shelf is subdued. Banks and hills are rare and channels and tidal sand banks occur next to the entrances of large estuaries and rivers.

Van Diemen Gulf.— Van Diemen Gulf is linked to the Arafura Sea by the Dundas Strait scoured to a depth of up to 140 m by strong tidal currents (Fig. 3.15). Inspection of nautical charts of the area (AUS 720) reveals the presence of tidal sandbanks in Clarence Strait the southern part of Dundas Strait and in Van Diemen Gulf. The banks are up to 20 km in length and 4 km in width and have formed probably in response to the strong tidal currents which may reach speeds of up to 200 cm sec⁻¹ in Dundas Strait. Subtidal dunes with a wavelength of about 90 m and height of up to 8 m were noted by Harris (1994b) in southern Dundas Strait; the central section is probably a lag gravel surface, scoured clear of surficial sediments. The tidal sand banks are separated by steep-sided channels, the most distinct of which are the North and South Gutters in Beagle Gulf which have depths of up to 50 m, and Clarence Strait in Van Diemen Gulf which is over-deepened attaining 100 m. The depression forming Clarence Strait swings north around Bathurst Island to run approximately 120 km across the shelf (Fairbridge, 1953).

Arafura Shelf.— The Arafura shelf is the northern extension of the Australian continental platform. It is a gently seaward sloping plain (up to 350 km wide) with subdued topography that covers an area of approximately 630,000 km² (Nicol, 1970). Because of its shallow elevation, the geomorphology of the Arafura Shelf is probably largely the product of low sea level erosional processes (Jongsma, 1974; Fig. 3.16). The shelf is separated from the Sahul Shelf in the west by the Van Diemen Rise, which consists of a series of shallow algal banks separated by narrow channels, similar in morphology and origin to those on the Sahul Shelf. Seaward of these banks, the shelf edge occurs at water depths of 120 to 180 m (Jongsma, 1974). East of these submerged banks, the shelf break trends towards the north and follows the interfluvium of the Arafura Depression, and thus does not extend between Australia and Papua New Guinea. Instead, in the east, the shelf is bounded by the Wessel Rise, which separates it from the Gulf of Carpentaria. In the northwest, the shelf slopes

down to the Arafura Depression and Timor Trough. The algal banks that make up the Van Diemen Rise are oriented across-shelf and have broad flat tops that locally rise up to 50 m water depth (Jongsma, 1974), and are surrounded by a terrace of regional extent. Narrow, deep channels dissect the banks and exhibit orientations that appear to have exploited weaknesses in the underlying geology. The channels probably formed from fluvial incision of the algal banks during periods of sea level lowstand when the shelf was subaerially exposed (van Andel and Veevers, 1967, van der Kaars, 1991), although it is likely that tidal currents have also acted to preserve these channels.

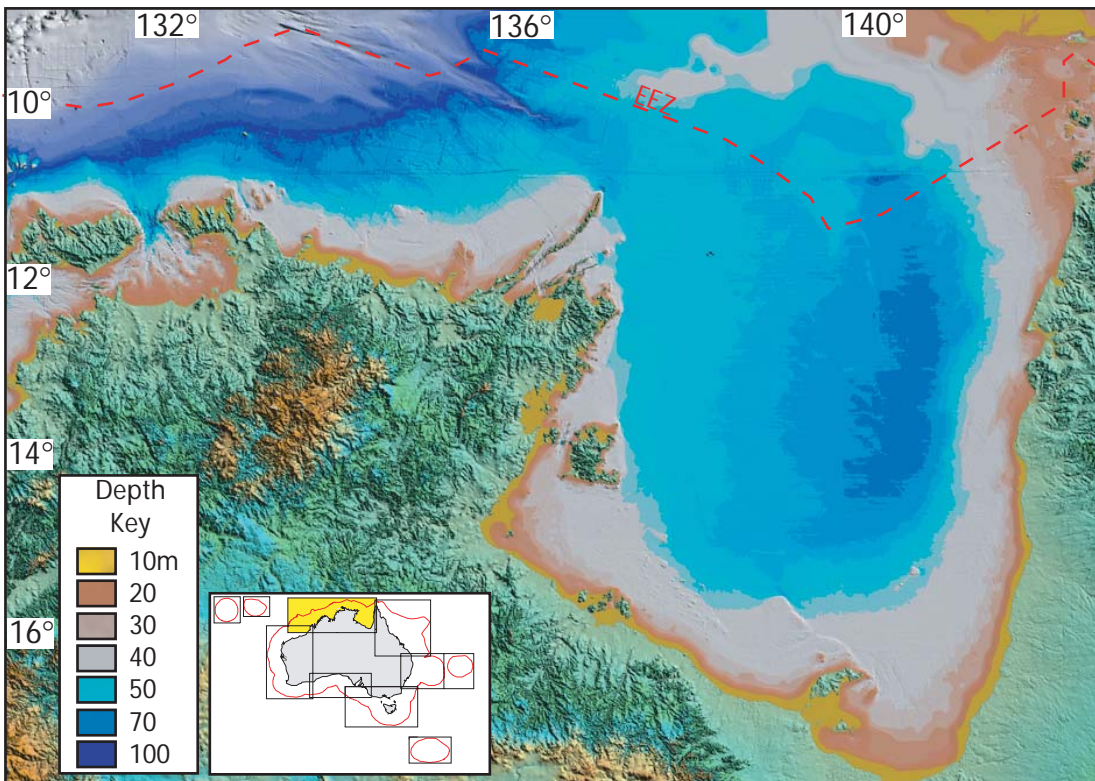


Figure 3.15. False-colour bathymetric image illuminated from the north showing the channels leading into Van Diemen Gulf (Dundas Strait and Clarence Strait).

Gulf of Carpentaria.— The Gulf of Carpentaria extends from the Wessel Rise in the west, where it joins the Arafura Shelf and Arafura Depression across a sill at 53 m water depth, and to Torres Strait in the east, where it joins the Coral Sea Depression across a sill at 12 m water depth. The Gulf is a shallow epicontinental sea that covers an area of more than 510,000 km² and has an approximate volume of nearly 2,500 x 10⁹ m³ (Torgersen et al., 1983). The floor of the Gulf is a low-gradient (<1:18,000) plain of relatively low relief. The deepest parts are located in the east, where water depths attain 70 m, but over most of the Gulf water depths are between 50 and 60 m, with deviations of less than 2 m (Chivas et al., 2001). The margins of the Gulf generally have shallow gradients 1:750-1:1,500 in the east, 1:3,000 in the south, and 1:250-1:125 in the west, with the steepest from Groote Eylandt north to Cape Wessel (Jones and Torgersen, 1988). In 2003, a group of three submerged patch coral reefs was discovered in the southeastern corner of the Gulf of Carpentaria in about 30 m

water depth; reefs may be much more extensive in that region (Harris et al., 2004). A broad ridge of <13 m relief trends ENE-WSW and terminates at the Arafura Sill, a 10,000 km² area of shelf with a relief of less than 2 m (Torgersen et al., 1983), and forms the northern drainage boundary for the Gulf. Immediately to the west of the sill is a prominent submarine channel that extends across the Arafura Shelf to the edge of the continental shelf, which would have connected the Gulf with the Arafura Depression during times of low sea level.

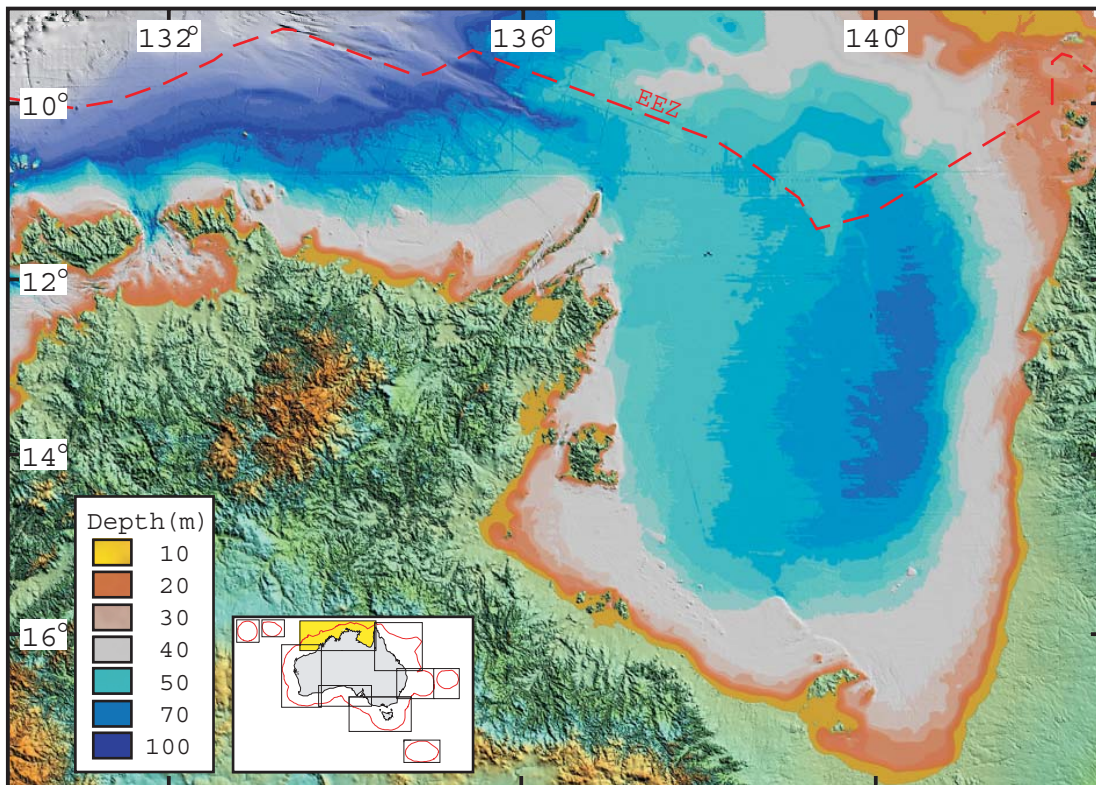


Figure 3.16. False-colour bathymetric image illuminated from the north showing the Arafura Sea and Gulf of Carpentaria.

In the northeast, a broad, low-relief terrace in water depths of 40-45 m extends into the Gulf from Torres Strait. In the south of the Gulf, the seabed topography is more variable and contains a number of small, rounded pinnacles and several broad, flat-topped terraces that are locally capped by coral reefs. The pinnacles are probably high points of submerged continental rocks, protruding through nearshore and pelagic sediments on the seabed. The terraces are bounded to the northeast by steep-slopes that strike northwest, and are separated from each other by shallow submarine valleys. These terraces are the surface expression of submerged fragments of continental rock that are located northwest of Mornington Island. Tidal sand banks and subaqueous dunes with wavelengths of between 80 and 200 m occur over a wide area north of Groote Eylandt in water depths of 15 to 20 m (Harris et al., 1991). Tidal sand banks also locally occur in Endeavour Channel in Torres Strait (Harris, 1988), between islands and the coast, including a well developed dune field around Mornington Island in the southeast, and at the entrances to harbours, estuaries and rivers.

Recent geologic studies have revealed that the Gulf was an isolated basin during times of low sea level and formed a lake (Lake Carpentaria) that had an outlet channel to the Arafura Sea over the sill (Chivas et al., 2001). At its greatest extent, Lake Carpentaria may have covered an area of 165,000 km² (Fig. 3.17) and attained maximum water depths of more than 15 m (Jones and Torgersen, 1988). Inter-bedded marine, coastal and lacustrine deposits have been recovered in shallow cores from the Gulf floor (e.g., Phipps, 1980; Torgersen et al., 1988; Chivas et al., 2001), and incised channels, and erosional unconformities of regional extent interpreted as previous shorelines have been recognised in shallow seismic profiles (Edgar et al., 1994). Seismic profiles from the Arafura Sill exhibit incised channels of up to 10-15 m relief extending to a maximum of 75 m below present sea level (Jones and Torgersen, 1988). The channels likely were formed by fluvial incision during lows in sea level and then partially filled during the subsequent transgressions.

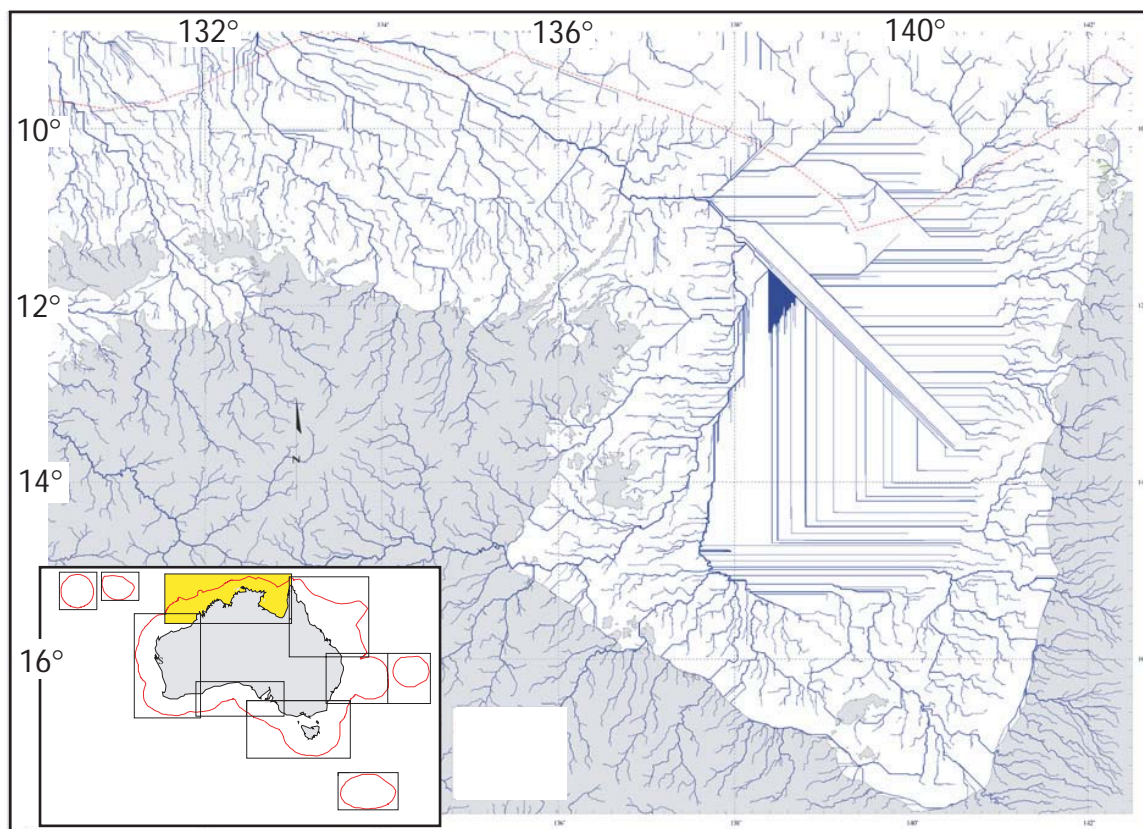


Figure 3.17. Predicted drainage system of the Arafura Sea, showing the positions of major shelf valleys and submarine canyons on the continental slope. Note the straight flow lines that delimit the Carpentaria basin and the drainage exiting the basin to the west through the Arafura Sea.

3.4.2. Continental Slope, Rise and Abyssal Plain

Because the continental shelf is continuous between Australia and Papua New Guinea, only the northwest margin of Australia contains slope, rise and abyssal elements. Falvey and Veevers (1974) conveniently divided this region into upper slope, marginal plateaus and terraces, lower slope, rise, and slope foothills. Apart from the slope, rise and abyssal plain, the major geomorphic features of the margin

are the Arafura Depression, Timor Trough, Scott and Exmouth Plateaus, and the Rowley Terrace.

Continental Slope.— The slope is a composite feature comprised of an upper slope surface, which has a gradient of between 1-2° and a maximum gradient of 5°, and a lower slope surface which has a gradient of between 2-20° (Falvey and Veevers, 1974). Off the Arafura Shelf region, the upper slope contains the Arafura Depression, a marginal depression that extends into the Timor Trough and is connected to the shelf by a series of submarine valleys (Fig. 3.18). Off the Sahul Shelf region, the shelf edge and upper continental slope are marked by a series of submarine terraces that occur at depths between 120 to 250 m (van Andel and Veevers, 1967). From these terraces, the slope extends down into the Timor Trough to a depth of 2,000 m and joins the volcanic Banda Arc complex, the location of an active convergent plate margin (Smith and Ross, 1986).

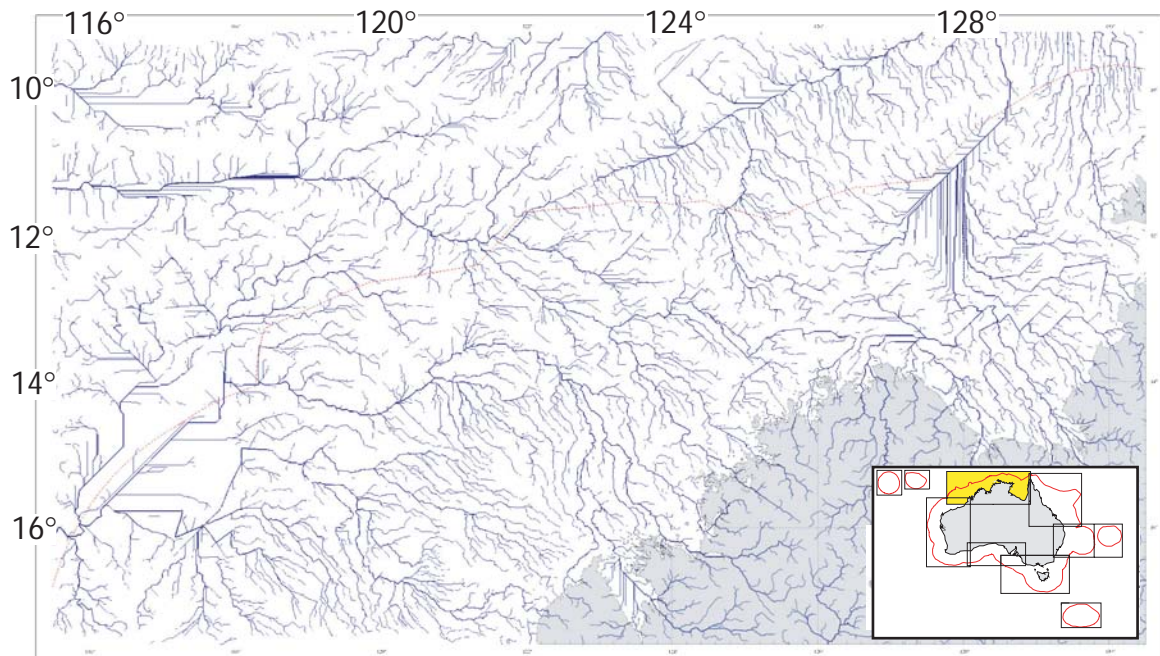


Figure 3.18. Predicted drainage system of the Timor Sea, showing the positions of major shelf valleys and submarine canyons on the continental slope. Note the straight flow lines that delimit the Bonaparte basin and the drainage exiting the basin to the north into the Timor Sea

In the southwest, away from the Scott and Exmouth Plateaus, the upper slope has a smooth profile with nearly uniform gradients. Above the Plateaus, however, the upper slope has a convex profile, increasing in gradient with depth down to plateau level (Falvey and Veevers, 1974). North of Scott Reef the upper slope has a concave profile. Two extensive submarine canyon provinces occur on the upper slope north and south of Scott Reef. Between Ashmore and Scott Reefs, in water depths of 400-600 m, the slope gradient is markedly reduced forming an upper-slope terrace known as Ashmore Terrace.

Timor Trough.— The Timor Trough is an NE-SW trending elongate depression with a maximum depth of 3,200 m that extends for 850 km between the island of

Timor and the Sahul Shelf. The trough is asymmetric in profile and includes a flat axial bottom, between 2 and 15 km wide and locally v-shaped. The Australian flank is generally smooth with local relief of 200 m in valleys and scarps. In contrast, the Timor flank is generally hummocky with local relief of 400 m (Veevers et al., 1978). On the Australian flank, between the shelf edge and approximately 550 m water depth, lies a discontinuous chain of reefs, including major reefal accumulations of Hibernia Reef, Fantome Shoal, the Big Bank Shoals, and Echo Shoal. Sediment lobes occur on this section of the slope and extend a short distance downslope (Veevers et al., 1978). Submarine canyons are rare, but locally occur at the base of large reef accumulations.

Scott Plateau.— The Scott Plateau covers an area of approximately 80,000 km² (Stagg and Exon, 1981) and occurs at approximately mid-slope elevations on the northwest margin. The surface of the Plateau is principally in water depths of between 2,000 and 3,000 m, and its maximum depth of roughly 3,600 m occurs on the western edge (Falvey and Veevers, 1974). The plateau forms a broad dome (Scott Plateau Dome) with water depths of <2,000 m over the dome crest, and water depths of <1,800 m over Wilson Spur (Stagg, 1978). Numerous spurs and valleys of varying orientations characterise the top of the dome. South of the dome, Bowers Canyon, a large east-west trending trough, separates the Plateau from the Rowley Terrace. The Scott Plateau Saddle, a local NNE-SSW trending depression (~2,000 m water depth), with low-gradient flanks, connects the Scott Plateau to the adjacent upper slope in the east.

Rowley Terrace.— The Rowley Terrace covers an area of approximately 50,000 km² (Stagg and Exon, 1981) and forms a smooth, seaward-sloping surface on the upper to middle slope. The terrace is shallowest in the east, where the surface joins the upper slope in approximately 2,000 m water depth and slopes downwards to the west to 3,000-4,000 m water depth. The surface of the terrace seems to be a low-relief platform that is cut in the south by erosional channels of >300 m relief (Jones, 1973). A large submarine canyon system (including the Swan Canyon; Section 3.3.2), with tributaries that extend onto the Rowley Terrace into water depths of <2,000 m, separates the terrace from the northeastern flank of the Exmouth Plateau.

Large reefal accumulations have grown on the terrace, including Ashmore, Seringapatan, and Scott Reefs. Scott and Seringapatan Reefs rise from approximately 400 m water depth. The flanks of the atolls are steep, and are almost vertical within 200-300 m of the surface. Scott Reef is made up of two atolls, separated by a 400 m deep channel (Jones, 1973). In the south, Mermaid, Clerke, and Imperieuse Reefs (i.e., the Rowley Shoals) rise from approximately 350 m water depth. Approximately 50 km southwest of Imperieuse Reef, a submerged reef rises up to 100 m above the sea floor and terminates in 287 m water depth (Jones, 1973).

The lower slope occurs below the marginal plateaus of Scott Plateau and the mid- and upper-slope terraces of Rowley and Ashmore Terraces and terminates at the rise or abyssal plain. The top of the lower slope occurs in water depths of 1,300-3,600 m and extends down to 4,200-5,300 m (Falvey and Veevers, 1974). Where present, the lower slope is incised by the distal ends of submarine canyons on the upper slope. On the northwest side of the Scott Plateau, slope gradients are <5° and convex in profile. Below crest of Scott Plateau, several small terraces occur, and deep

submarine canyons are incised into the continental slope. The Bowers and Oates Canyons are the largest, cutting deeply into the western plateau margin and debouching on to the Argo Abyssal Plain in water depths of >5,500 m (Stagg, 1978; Stagg and Exon, 1981). Adjacent to these terraces, and Scott Plateau and Rowley Terrace further south, the lower slope terminates at a NNE-SSW trending escarpment that represents the edge of the continental crust and the boundary with the rise. Here, numerous submarine canyons that have cut into the underlying rock dissect the lower slope and upper regions of the rise. Further to the south and west of the Rowley Shoals, the escarpment representing the base of slope then trends E-W along the northern margin of the Exmouth Plateau.

Continental Rise.- Where it is developed, the Continental Rise extends from the base of the lower slope to the Argo Abyssal Plain. The rise bounds the western edge of the Scott Plateau and Rowley Terrace.

Argo Abyssal Plain.- The Argo Abyssal Plain is an area of seabed at abyssal depths that has very low relief. The water depth over the plain is >5,000 m. While having virtually no relief, the surface tilts gently up to the north and forms an outer ridge to the Java Trench (Falvey and Veevers, 1974). Swales have been recognised in the SW regions of the plain, while the western margin contains small hills.

Arafura Depression.- The western regions of the Arafura Depression form a drowned fluvial system comprised of a complex series of ridges and valleys which existed during sea level lowstand (Jongsma, 1974). At the base of the Arafura Depression is a fan deposit (Arafura Fan?). Only the most southern edge of the fan is located in Australian waters. The Arafura Depression is bordered on the south by submarine valleys and ridges that extend onto the Arafura Shelf and westward to a sill that separates it from the Gulf of Carpentaria basin. The surface of the fan is hummocky, and given its location in 200-300 m water depth (below the shelf break) deposition in the Arafura Depression would have been continuous throughout the Late Quaternary. It is possible that fan deposits contain a record of the environmental changes in the Gulf of Carpentaria associated with eustatic sea level cycles.

Table 3.7. List of previously described geomorphic features on the northern margin. Features are numbered (left hand column) on Figs. 3.13 (A) and (B).

No.	Geomorphic Feature	Feature Type	References
1	Arafura Depression	Valley (6)	Jongsma (1974)
2	Arafura Shelf	Shelf (1)	Carrigy & Fairbridge (1954)
3	Arafura Sill	Sill (19)	Jones & Torgersen (1988)
4	Argo Abyssal Plain	Abyssal Plain (4)	Falvey & Veevers (1974)
5	Ashmore Reef	Reef (9)	van Andel & Veevers (1967)
6	Baldwin Bank	Bank (5)	van Andel & Veevers (1967)
7	Barracouta Shoal	Reef (9)	van Andel & Veevers (1967)
8	Bonaparte Depression	Valley (6)	Lees (1992); van Andel & Veevers (1967)
9	Bowers Canyon	Canyon (10)	Stagg (1978)
10	Browse Depression	Valley (6)	Carrigy & Fairbridge (1954)
11	Cartier Trough	Canyon (10)	van Andel & Veevers (1967)

12	East Londonderry Rise	Bank (5)	van Andel & Veevers (1967)
13	Endeavour Strait	Hole (6)	Admiralty Chart 301
14	Emu Spur	Bank (5)	Falvey & Veevers (1974)
15	Exmouth Plateau	Plateau (15)	Falvey & Veevers (1974)
16	Fantome Shoal	Reef (9)	van Andel & Veevers (1967)
17	Flattop Bank	Bank (5)	Admiralty Chart
18	Flinders-Evans Shoals	Bank (5)	van Andel & Veevers (1967)
19	Gulf of Carpentaria	Basin (8)	Torgersen et al. (1988); Chivas et al. (2001)
20	Hibernia Reef	Reef (9)	van Andel & Veevers (1967)
21	Holothuria Banks	Bank (5)	van Andel & Veevers (1967)
22	Inskip Banks	Sandbank (21)	Admiralty Chart
23	King Sound	Basin (8)	Carrigy & Fairbridge (1954)
24	Leveque Rise	Bank (5)	Carrigy & Fairbridge (1954)
25	Malita Shelf Valley	Valley (6)	van Andel & Veevers (1967); Lees (1992)
26	Mornington I. Tide Delta	Sandbank (21)	Admiralty Chart
27	North Gutter	Hole (6)	Admiralty Chart
28	Oates Canyon	Canyon (10)	Falvey & Veevers (1974); Stagg (1978)
29	Parry Shoal	Shoal (5)	van Andel & Veevers (1967)
30	Penguin Shoal	Bank (5)	van Andel & Veevers (1967)
31	Rothsay Banks	Sandbank (21)	Admiralty Chart
32	Rowley Depression	Valley (6)	Carrigy & Fairbridge (1954)
33	Rowley Shelf	Shelf (1)	Jones (1973); Stagg (1978)
34	Rowley Shoals	Reef (9)	Carrigy & Fairbridge (1954)
35	Rowley Terrace	Terrace (20)	Falvey & Veevers (1974); Stagg (1978)
36	Sahul Banks	Bank (5)	van Andel & Veevers (1967)
37	Sahul Rise	Bank (5)	van Andel & Veevers (1967)
38	Sahul Shelf	Shelf (1)	Fairbridge (1953); van Andel & Veevers (1967)
39	Scott Plateau	Plateau (15)	Falvey & Veevers (1974); Stagg (1978)
40	Scott Reef	Reef (9)	Jones (1973)
41	Seringapatam Reef	Reef (9)	Jones (1973)
42	South Gutter	Hole (6)	Admiralty Chart
43	Swan Canyon	Canyon (10)	Falvey & Veevers (1974); Stagg (1978)
44	Van Diemen Rise	Bank (5)	van Andel & Veevers (1967)
45	Vulcan Shoal	Bank (5)	van Andel & Veevers (1967)
46	Wallis Banks	Sandbank (21)	Admiralty Chart
47	Wessel Rise	Bank (5)	Torgersen et al. (1983); Jones & Torgersen (1988)
48	West Londonderry Rise	Bank (5)	van Andel & Veevers (1967)
49	Wilson Spur	Bank (5)	Falvey & Veevers (1974)
50	Wombat Plateau	Plateau (15)	Falvey & Veevers (1974)
51	Carpentaria Reefs	Reef (9)	Harris et al. (2004)

Table 3.8. Geomorphic make-up of the northern margin. Code refers to the geomorphic feature type listed in Table 2.2.

Code	Geomorphic Feature	Km²	Percent
1	Shelf*	1,005,500	65.42
2	Slope*	460,950	29.99
3	Rise*	11,590	0.75
4	Abyssal plain*	58,970	3.84
	Total	1,537,010	100.00
1	Shelf*	506,030	32.92
2	Slope*	221,560	14.42
3	Rise*	11,590	0.75
4	Abyssal plain*	58,980	3.84
5	Bank/Shoal	43,720	2.84
6	Deep/Hole/Valley	78,730	5.12
7	Trench/Trough	650	0.04
8	Basin	249,120	16.21
9	Reef	4,970	0.32
10	Canyons	16,580	1.08
11	Knoll/Abyssal Hills/Hill/Peak	3,100	0.20
12	Ridge	5,700	0.37
14	Pinnacle	1,320	0.09
15	Plateau	84,110	5.47
16	Saddle	610	0.04
17	Apron/Fan	3,670	0.24
18	Escarpment	20,690	1.35
20	Terrace	218,540	14.22
21	Sandwave/Sand bank	13,470	0.88

* First listing of continental shelf, slope, rise and abyssal plain areas are total, mutually exclusive areas. Second listing of continental shelf, slope, rise and abyssal plain areas are less the surface areas of superimposed features (e.g., shelf area is total shelf area minus superimposed basin area, sill area, terrace area, etc.).

3.5. Northeast Margin (Great Barrier Reef Province)

The northeast continental margin of Australia extends for more than 2,000 km from the Gulf of Papua in the north to Fraser Island in the south. The area included in this study extends from the coast to the limit of the EEZ and covers an area of 1,324,540 km². The margin includes the Eastern, Queensland, and Marion Plateaus, which are carbonate-dominated plateaus located offshore from the continent. The Great Barrier Reef (GBR), which extends for nearly 2,000 km along the middle to outer continental shelf, is the largest tropical, mixed siliciclastic-carbonate reef system on Earth. The GBR and offshore plateaus are separated from each other by the Pandora, Bligh, Queensland, and Townsville Troughs. Other major features include: the Kenn Plateau, Cato Trough, Coral Sea Basin, and Osprey Embayment (Figs. 3.19, 3.20).

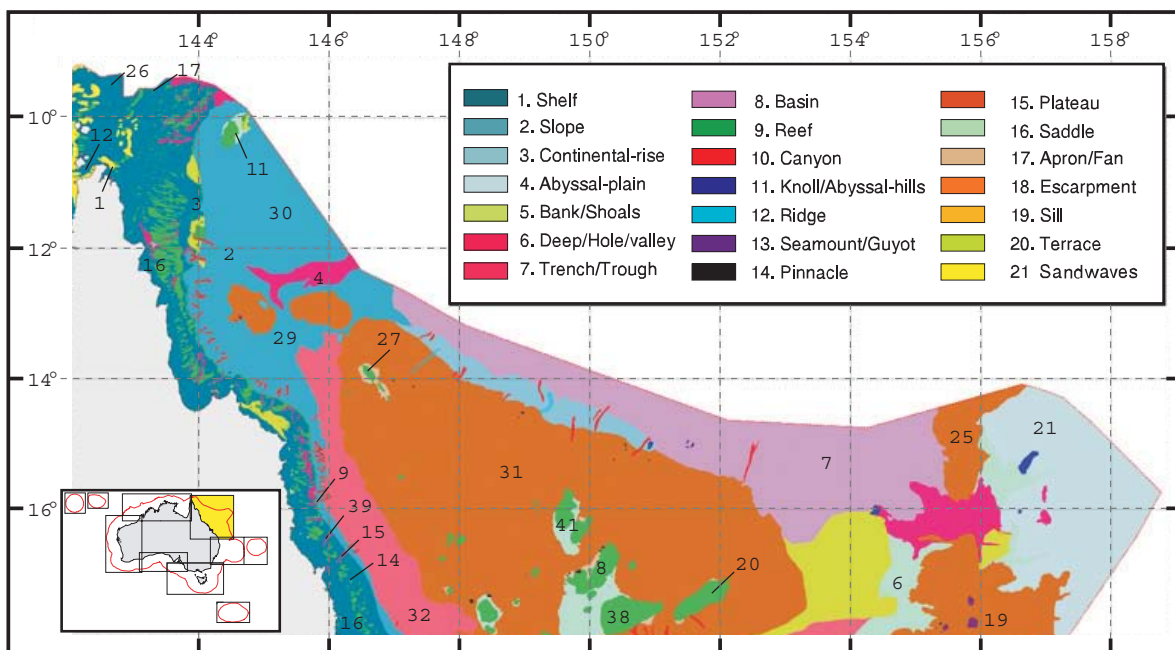


Figure 3.19. (A) Geomorphic features on the northeast margin adjacent to the Great Barrier Reef. See Table 3.9 for key to place names and Table 3.10 for surface areas of features.

The origin and development of the geomorphic features of the northeast margin are a result of the fragmentation of the margin following late-Cretaceous to early Tertiary rifting, associated largely with the opening of the Tasman Sea (Davies et al., 1989, 1993). This rifting influenced margin evolution by producing large, shallow-water plateaus suitable for the development of coral complexes and permitting individual reefs to grow on the corners of rotated fault blocks. Geomorphic features that have been named or that have been reported in scientific investigations are listed in Table 3.9 and the geomorphic make-up of the margin is provided in Table 3.10.

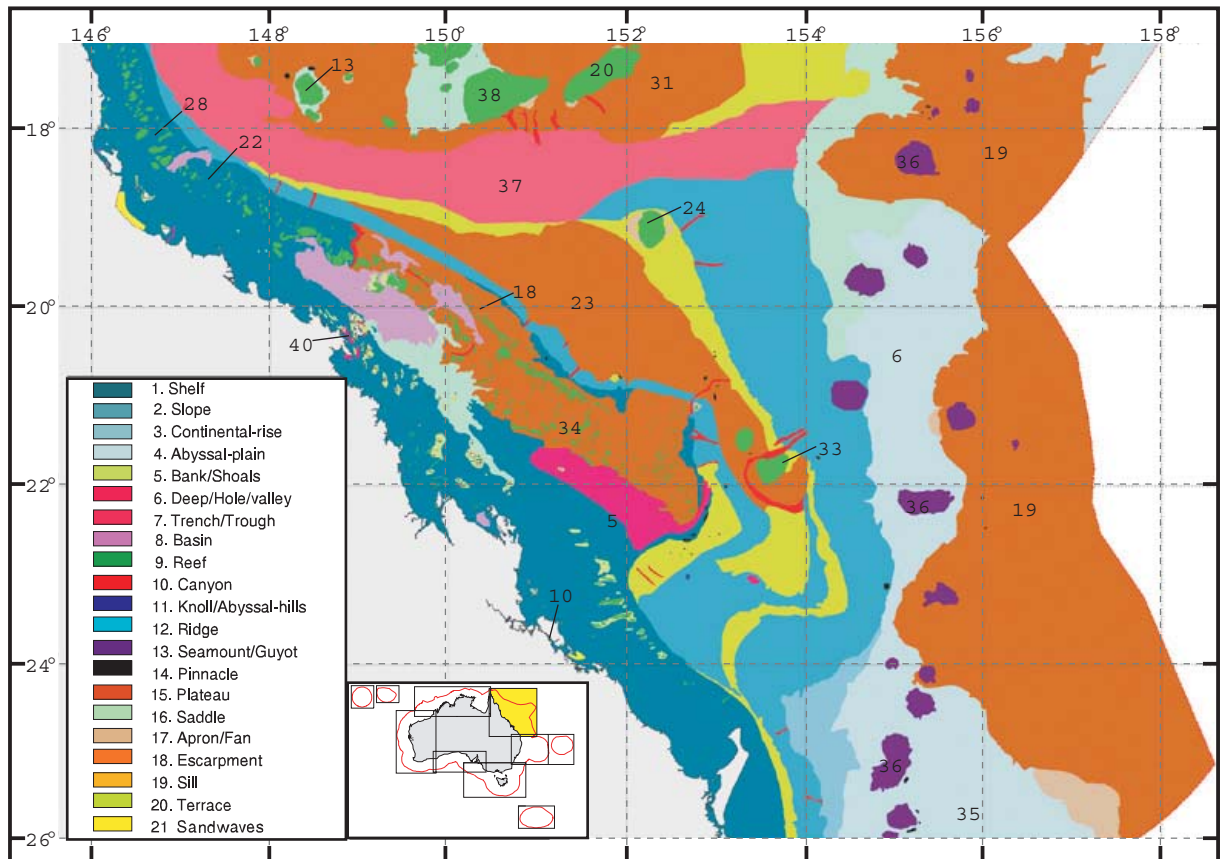


Figure 3.19–Cont. (B) Geomorphic features on the northeast margin adjacent to the Great Barrier Reef. See Table 3.9 for key to place names and Table 3.10 for surface areas of features.

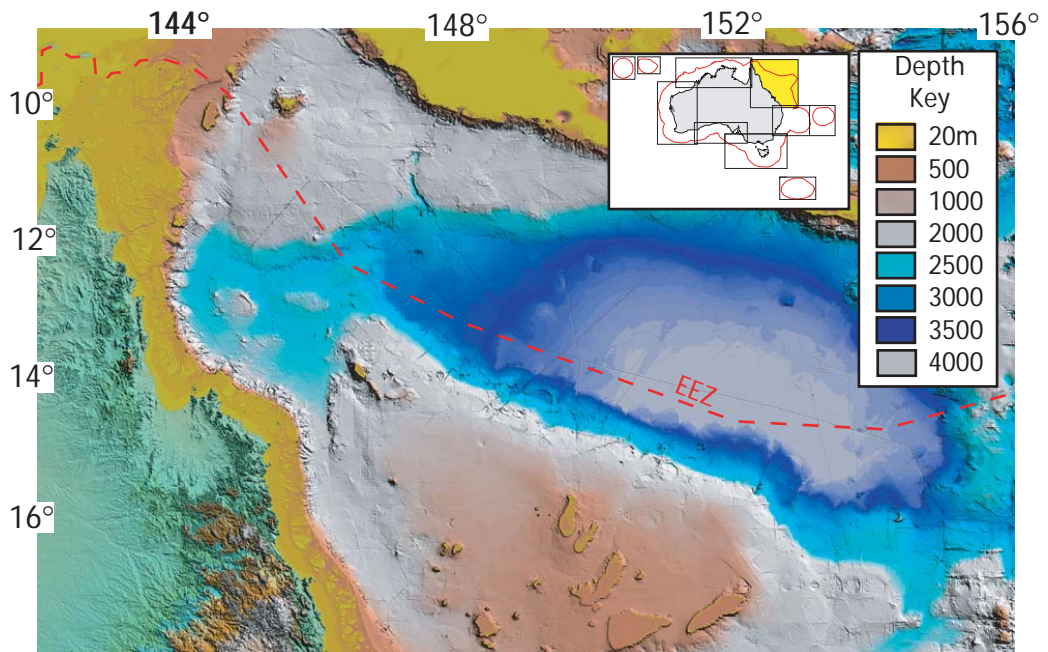


Figure 3.20. False-colour bathymetric image illuminated from the north showing the northeast margin with the Coral Sea basin and marginal plateaus.

3.5.1. Marginal Plateaus

Eastern Plateau.— The Eastern Plateau is the most northern marginal plateau in on the margin and is bounded by the Pandora and Bligh Troughs to the west, Moresby Trough to the east, and Coral Sea Basin to the south. The surface of the plateau is approximately 31,000 km² and is gently convex in shape. Water depths over the plateau are >1,500 m on average. The topography of the southern margin is controlled by normal faults and thus it has significant and dramatic relief, sloping steeply downwards into the Coral Sea Basin. The western margin has a more complex topography, formed probably by thrusting (Davies et al., 1989). Towards the crest of the plateau surface lies Eastern Fields Reef, a steep-sided modern coral platform 45 km wide.

Queensland Plateau.— The Queensland Plateau is the largest marginal plateau on the margin. It is bounded to the northeast by the Coral Sea Basin, to the west by the Queensland Trough, and to the south by the Townsville Trough. The plateau covers an area of approximately 165,000 km². Geological studies (e.g., Mutter and Karner 1980) reveal that the surface of the plateau is mostly smooth and slopes gently downward towards the north. Approximately 50% of the plateau surface occurs in water depths of less than 1,000 m resulting in living reefs that are at or near present sea level and which occur over about 10-15% of the surface (Davies et al., 1989). The largest of these reefs are the Tregrosse and Lihou reef complexes, with smaller complexes of the Willis, Diana, and Coringa Reefs. In the west, steep-sided pinnacles, 1-2 km across, rise from water depths of >1,200 m to within 10 m of the surface. These pinnacles have formed on raised corners of underlying fault blocks and form the Flinders, Bougainville, Holmes, and Osprey Reefs (Davies et al., 1989).

The surface of the plateau contains two distinct terraces at water depths of approximately 500-600 m between Tregrosse, Lihou, and Coringa Reefs, and also between Willis and Diana Reefs, that represent the remnant surfaces of previous carbonate platforms. Another terrace representing a younger, but less extensive, carbonate platform surface occurs at 50 m. Modern reefs have grown on this terrace to present elevations. Two further, less distinct, deep-water terraces occur in the east and northeast of the plateau in water depths of >2,000 m. Submarine canyons with relief of up to 500 m, spaced 40 km apart, occur on the northern slopes (Winterer, 1970), but they are less well developed in the western and southern slopes. A major submarine canyon complex occurs to the south of Lihou Reef, where slopes at canyon heads are locally >20°. An extensive area of continental rise is located on the northern margin that slopes gently into the Coral Sea Basin and is dissected by numerous small submarine canyons (Symonds and Willcox 1988).

Marion Plateau.— The Marion Plateau is located east of the GBR and bounded to the north by the Townsville Trough and to the east by the Cato Trough (Fig. 3.21). Seismic studies (e.g., Davies et al., 1989) reveal that the plateau is separated from the continent to the west by several north-south oriented half-grabens that were filled with siliciclastic sediment prograding eastwards across the continental shelf during the Tertiary. As a result, the modern surface of the plateau forms a deep-water extension to the continental shelf. The plateau is broadly triangular in shape and approximately 77,000 km². Water depths over the surface range from 100 m in the

west to >500 m in the east. The eastern slopes are steeper than the northern slopes, with upper slopes attaining 0.3° between water depths of 200 and 600 m and 4.5° in water depths of 500-1,000 m. Submarine canyons are better developed on the eastern slopes (Mutter and Karner 1980). Despite the shallow water depths, reef growth on the plateau is limited to Marion Reef to the northeast and Saumarez Reef to the southeast. Because the half-grabens separating the platform from the continent in the west cease at the confluence of the Townsville and Queensland Troughs, it is thought that the Marion Plateau was originally a separate marginal plateau. The Swains Reef high, a NW-trending basement ridge, separates the plateau from the Capricorn Basin to the south. Like the Queensland Plateau, the Marion Plateau contains two terraces at water depths of 2,600-2,000 m and 1,500-500 m that represent the remnant surfaces of carbonate platforms (Davies et al., 1989).

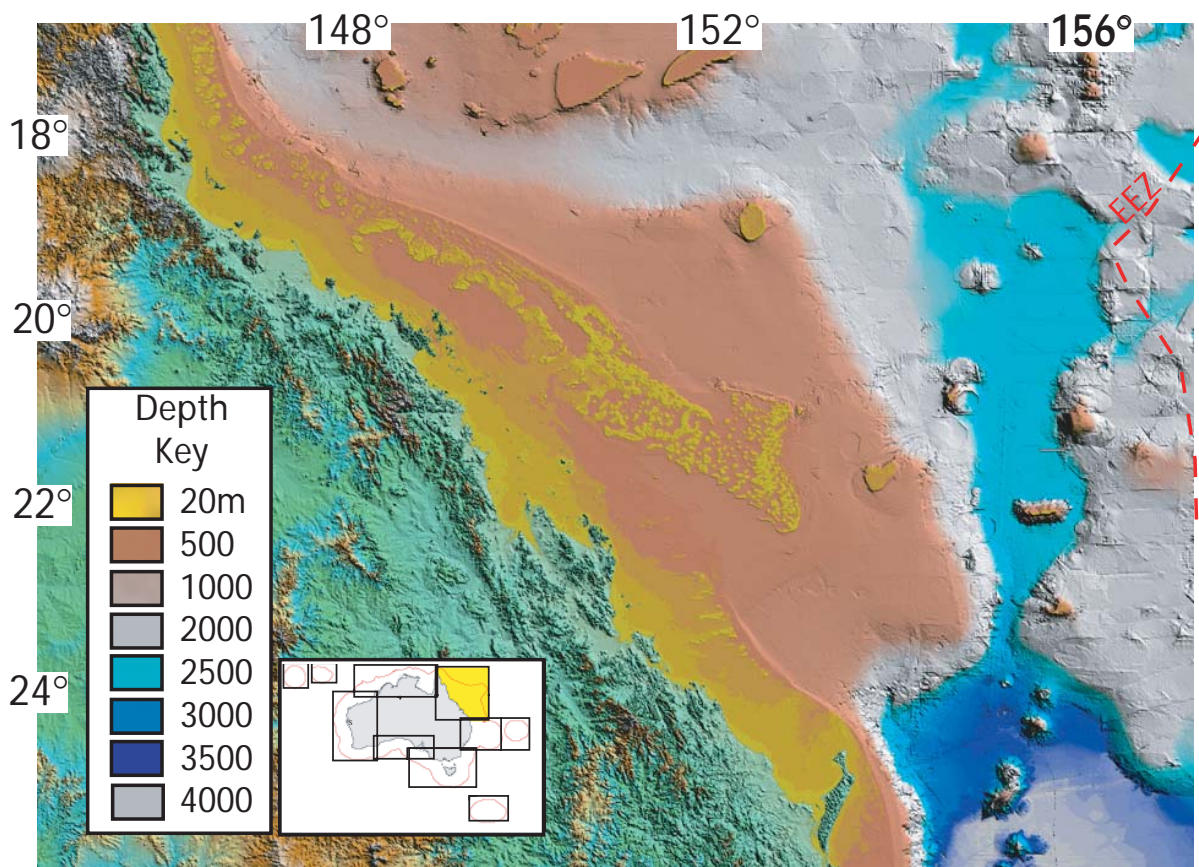


Figure 3.21. False-colour bathymetric image illuminated from the north showing the northeast margin with the northern Tasman Sea basin and marginal plateaus.

3.5.2. The Great Barrier Reef Continental Shelf

The Great Barrier Reef (GBR) extends for about 2,000 km along the northeast margin of Australia and contains approximately 2,500 individual reefs (Hopley, 1982). Collectively, the modern reefs of the GBR, which rise from the shelf surface to present sea-level elevations, are the single most extensive geomorphic feature on the Australian continental shelf. The continental shelf is narrowest and shallowest in the north where reefs and *Halimeda* banks occupy the entire shelf. The shelf widens and

deepens to the south, where reefs occupy only the mid to outer shelf regions. At the extreme southern margin the shelf narrows considerably and contains several reef complexes next to the shelf break that are separated from the mainland by Curtis Channel.

The continental slope is steepest (10° - 60°) and extends to greater depths in the north. Numerous submerged reefs, and small ($<1 \text{ km}^2$) terraces and knickpoints interpreted to be old shorelines and erosional coastal cliffs, occur along the upper continental slope in water depths of $<170 \text{ m}$ (Carter et al., 1986; Harris and Davies, 1989). The upper slope is commonly characterised by a reefal limestone escarpment, extending from the shelf break to a depth of $>300 \text{ m}$ (Harris and Davies, 1989). Extensive submarine canyon systems are conspicuously absent on the upper slope and corridors for sediment transport are limited to deep-sea troughs (Fig. 3.22).

Torres Strait, in the most northern regions, is an extremely shallow seaway that connects the northeast margin with the Gulf of Carpentaria on the northern continental margin of Australia (see section 3.4). Torres Strait contains large continental islands with extensive E-W oriented reefs between them. Intervening passages are generally $<12 \text{ m}$ deep and characterised by strong tidal currents, although some larger channels have been exhumed up to 120 m (Harris et al., 1996). The strong tidal currents have produced extensive areas containing sandwaves and sandbanks (Harris, 1988, 1991, 1995, 2001).

In the south, the reefs are elevated on the *Swain Reefs High*, forming a shallow platform. An extensive area of tidal sand banks also occurs in and around Broad Sound, where tidal ranges attain 8 m (Cook and Mayo, 1978). Next to this platform, the head of the Capricorn Channel (Marshall, 1977) forms a shallow shelf valley that slopes gently downwards towards the southeast but is deflected around the southern GBR and debouches to the northeast onto the upper slope. Beyond the shelf break in the Capricorn Channel, the slope steepens from about 0.9° in water depths of $<600 \text{ m}$ to 1.6° in water depths of between 500 to $1,000 \text{ m}$ (Harris and Baker, 1988).

Inter-reef channels figure prominently on the shelf (Figs. 3.22 and 3.23). They are generally steep-sided, deep, exhibit winding, dendritic, and meandering courses, and are swept clean of sediment by strong tidal currents (Hopley, 1982). Some channels also exhibit enclosed contours, where submerged reefal shoals either partially or completely block the ends. The largest of the reef passes are exploited as shipping channels (see Table 3.10).

Tidal current shoals, rising as much as 30 m from the level of surrounding seabed, are located adjacent to continental islands in the GBR lagoon (e.g., Heap et al., 1999, 2001, 2002). Depressions up to 120 m deep, scoured by locally accelerated tidal currents, occur in the passages between the islands (e.g., Heap et al., 2002).

3.5.3. Marginal Depressions

Pandora Trough.- The Pandora Trough is an elongate basin 250 km long and 50 km wide on the western margin on the Eastern Plateau that trends northeast with its axis being parallel to the shelf break (Fig. 3.20). Profiles across the trough are asymmetric with the deepest parts abutting the steepest slopes of Eastern Fields Reef (Winterer, 1970). Several submarine canyons occur on the western margin, but it is

unknown whether these canyons directly connect the shelf to the trough (see also Brunskill et al., 1995).

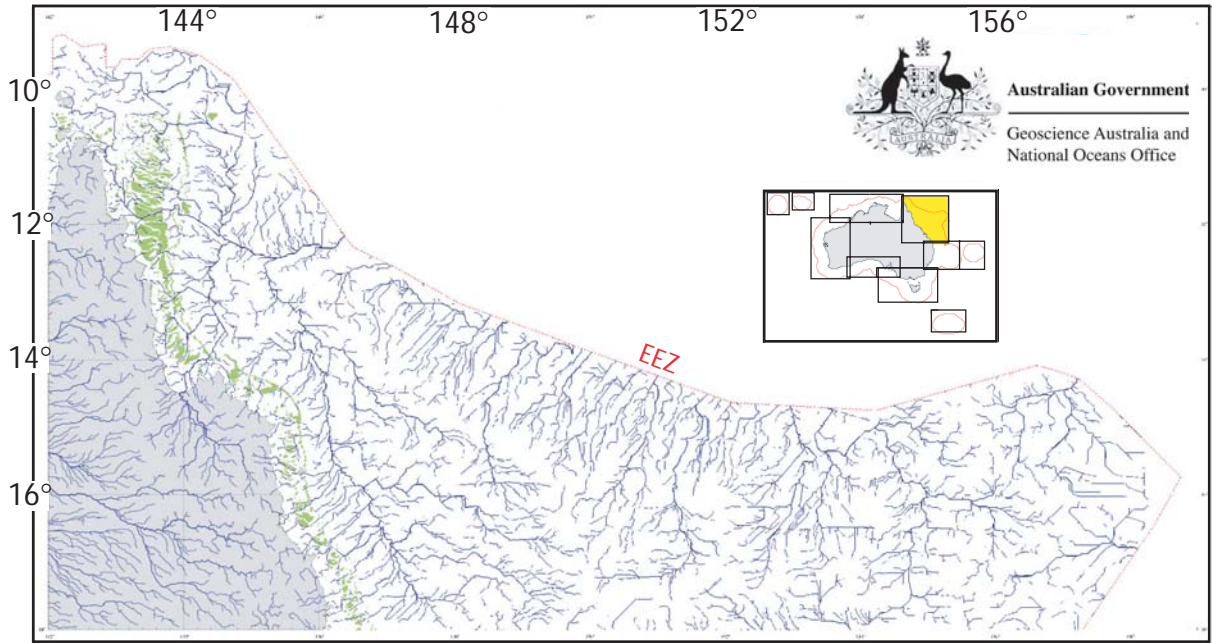


Figure 3.22. Predicted drainage system of the northeast margin, showing the positions of major shelf valleys and submarine canyons on the continental slope.

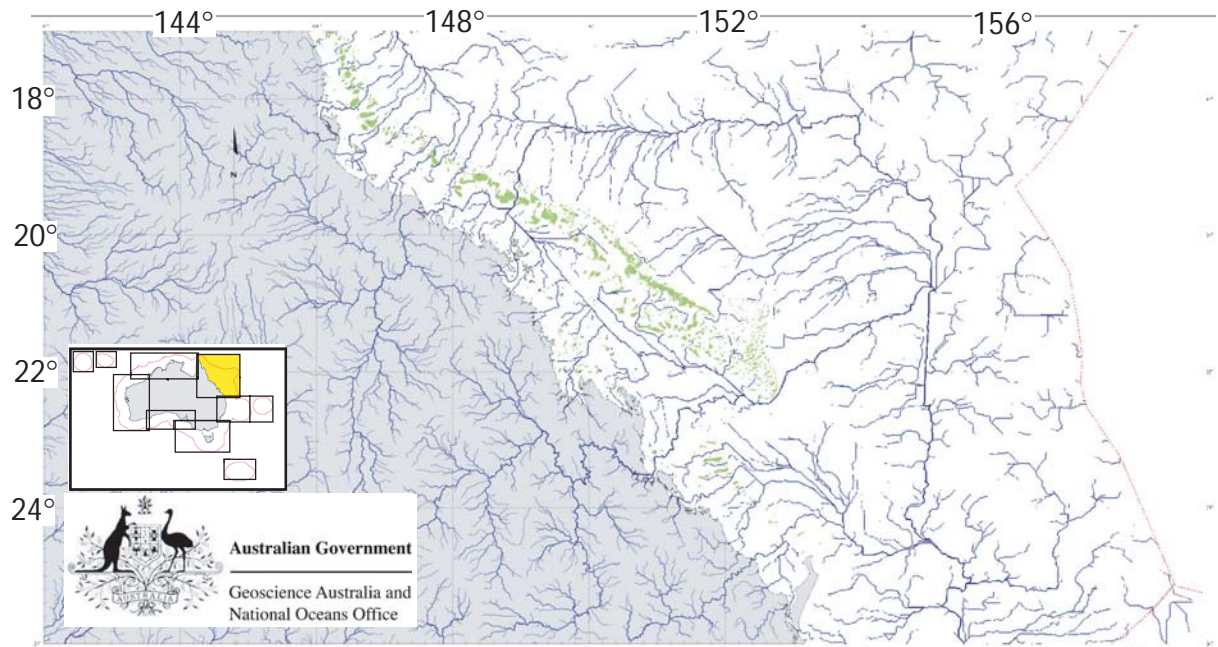


Figure 3.23. Predicted drainage system of the northeast margin, showing the positions of major shelf valleys and submarine canyons on the continental slope.

Bligh Trough.— The Bligh Trough is a N-S trending, elongate depression of the sea floor, that lies adjacent to the continental shelf on the southwest slopes of the Eastern Plateau. The axis of the trough is parallel to the shelf break and is approximately 200 km long, and may form a southern extension to the Pandora Trough to the north. Submarine canyons occur on the western margin of the trough where the slope is steep, but it is unknown whether these canyons connect the continental shelf with the Coral Sea Basin. The trough opens out into Osprey Embayment where it connects with the larger Bligh Canyon.

Bligh Canyon.— Bligh Canyon is an E-W trending relatively straight depression in the sea floor situated in Osprey Embayment at the mouths of the Queensland and Bligh Troughs. Drainage from both of these troughs is funnelled through Bligh Canyon eastward into the Coral Sea Basin. Seismic surveys (e.g., Winterer, 1970) have revealed that the valley floor is up to 10 km wide, mostly flat, but also entrenched about 100 m in places. The valley sides have gradients of between 3° and 20°.

Queensland Trough.— The Queensland Trough is a broad NW-SE trending depression of the seabed that formed as a rift basin from the parting of the Queensland Plateau and the Australian plate as the Coral Sea Basin opened (Symonds et al., 1983; Scott, 1993). As the Coral Sea Basin opened, the Queensland Plateau lost marginal support, tilted northward and subsided directly toward the Coral Sea Basin thus forming the Queensland Trough. The trough stretches more than 550 km and covers an area of approximately 80,000 km². In the north, the trough opens out into the Osprey Embayment and Coral Sea basin, where it has a maximum width of 200 km and depth of 2,800 m. In the south, the trough narrows to 90 km and shoals to 900 m where it terminates at a sill that separates it from the Townsville Trough to the south.

Profiles across the trough are asymmetric, with slopes on the western margin much steeper than those of the eastern margin. Slopes on western margin attain gradients of between 10-60° particularly in the north, while those on the eastern margin are generally <2° but do attain as much as 10° in the north. The majority of the seabed of the trough lies at water depths between 1,000 and 2,000 m and the longitudinal profile of the bed slopes gently towards the north at a gradient of <1°. In the north, a bathymetric high presumed to be a basement fault block, divides the trough into two northward trending channels (Dunbar et al., 2001).

Previous acoustic mapping of the trough using GLORIA sidescan sonar (D.P. Johnson, unpublished data) reveals that, south of 16° S, the seabed is comprised of exposed bedrock but north of this latitude, lobate and digitate features, interpreted as proximal gravity flows, extend down slope. Dunbar et al. (2001) named the four largest flows: Lark, Trinity, Grafton, and Flora (from north to south), after adjacent reef passages. Elongate features along the trough axis, parallel to the shelf break, represent distal gravity flows that define an axial down slope sediment transport pathway to the north. Despite numerous reef passages on the continental shelf, there are no reported submarine fans on the western margin and little evidence for gravity flows adjacent to the central GBR shelf (Dunbar et al., 2001).

Townsville Trough.— The Townsville Trough is a broad E-W trending depression of the seabed that formed as a rift basin from the parting of the Queensland and

Marion Plateaus as the Coral Sea Basin opened (Symonds et al., 1983; Scott, 1993; Struckmeyer et al., 1994). The trough is more than 590 km in length. To the east, the trough opens out into the Cato Trough, where it has a maximum width of 120 km and depth of approximately 3,500 m. In the west, the trough narrows to 90 km and shoals to 900 m where it terminates at a sill that separates it from the Queensland Trough to the north. Profiles across the trough are broadly asymmetric, with slopes on the northern margin generally steeper than those of the southern margin. Submarine canyons dissect the northern margin and connect the Queensland Plateau with the Townsville Trough.

Coral Sea Basin.— The Coral Sea Basin is a broad, flat depression of the seabed that is bounded to the south by the Queensland Plateau, to the west by the GBR and Torres Strait Platforms, to the north by the Eastern and Papuan Plateaus, and to the east by the Louisiade Plateau and Mellish Rise. The Coral Sea Basin is a northwest extension of the Louisiade Triple junction that also includes the Cato Trough and Tasman Basin (Gaina et al., 1999). Only a small area of the basin occurs in Australian waters, where water depths are more than 4,000 m.

The basin floor is characterised by subdued topography, with gentle slopes (<2°) rising to the Queensland Plateau to the south, although more dramatic slopes rise to the Eastern Plateau and GBR in the north and west, respectively. Submarine canyons extend to the floor of the basin along the southern and western margins, dissecting the continental rise of the Queensland Plateau. Although there are no reported submarine fans reported in along the southern margin, a large fan occurs near the western margin at the mouths of the Moresby and Bligh Canyons (Winterer, 1970).

3.5.4. Tasman Sea (including Kenn Plateau, Cato Trough and Tasman Basin)

Distal regions of the NE margin contain a collection of prominent, although poorly defined, very large geomorphic features, including the Kenn Plateau, Cato Trough, Middleton Basin, Louisiade Plateau, and Mellish Rise. Collectively, these features have an area of more than 400,000 km², and are located in water depths of <1,000 m to >3,000 m (N.F. Exon, *written communication*). The largest of these features, the Kenn Plateau (Kroenke et al., 1983), lies at the junction between the Coral and Tasman Seas and is separated from the Marion Plateau to the west by the N-trending Cato Trough, a broad relatively flat-floor depression which reaches water depths of >3,000 m. Although poorly mapped, the Kenn Plateau is considered to be a large submerged continental block that is contiguous with the Bellona Plateau to the northeast and the Middleton Basin to the southeast (Weissel and Hayes, 1977). Only about 100,000 km² of the Kenn Plateau occurs in Australian waters, of which about 40,000 km² is in water depths <2,000 m. The surface is most shallow along its northwestern margin and slopes gently downwards to the southeast. The few seismic studies of the features in this region (Mutter, 1973, Symonds, 1973) reveal a rugged surface, with numerous seamounts, pinnacles, reefs, and submerged basement highs. The seamounts of Kenn Reef, and Bird and Cato Islands probably have volcanic origins, as they appear to form a northerly extension of the Tasmantid Seamount Chain, a prominent north-south trending chain of submarine volcanoes extending into the Tasman Basin (McDougall and Duncan, 1988).

Table 3.9. List of previously described geomorphic features on the northeast margin. Features are numbered (left hand column) on Figs. 3.19 (A) and (B).

No.	Geomorphic Feature	Feature Type	References
1	Adolphus Channel	Channel (10)	Harris (1991)
2	Bligh Canyon	Trough (7)	Winterer (1970)
3	Bligh Entrance	Channel (10)	Hopley (1982)
4	Bligh Trough	Trough (7)	Winterer (1970)
5	Capricorn Channel	Channel (10)	Hopley (1982)
6	Cato Trough	Trough (7)	Hill (1994)
7	Coral Sea Basin	Basin (8)	Winterer (1970)
8	Coringa Reef	Reef (9)	Davies et al. (1989)
9	Cruiser Pass	Channel (10)	Harris & Baker (1988)
10	Curtis Channel	Channel (10)	Hopley (1982)
11	East Fields Reef	Reef (9)	Hopley (1982)
12	Endeavour Strait	Channel (10)	Harris (2001)
13	Flinders Reef	Channel (10)	Harris & Baker (1988)
14	Flora Passage	Channel (10)	Dunbar et al. (2000)
15	Grafton Passage	Channel (10)	Harris & Baker (1988)
16	Great Barrier Reef	Plateau (15)	Davies et al. (1989)
17	Great North East Channel	Channel (10)	Harris (2001)
18	Hydrographers Passage	Channel (10)	Harris & Baker (1988)
19	Kenn Plateau	Plateau (15)	Wilcox (1981)
20	Lihou Reef	Reef (9)	Davies et al. (1989)
21	Louisiade Plateau	Plateau (15)	Gaina et al. (1999)
22	Magnetic Passage	Channel (10)	Harris & Baker (1988)
23	Marion Plateau	Plateau (15)	Davies et al. (1989)
24	Marion Reef	Reef (9)	Hopley (1982)
25	Mellish Rise	Plateau (15)	Gaina et al. (1999)
26	Missionary Passage	Channel (10)	Harris (2001)
27	Osprey Reef	Reef (9)	Davies et al. (1989)
28	Palm Passage	Channel (10)	Harris & Baker (1988)
29	Pandora Trough	Trough (7)	Winterer (1970)
30	Papuan Plateau	Plateau (15)	Davies et al. (1989)
31	Queensland Plateau	Plateau (15)	Davies et al. (1989)
32	Queensland Trough	Trough (7)	Winterer (1970)
33	Saumarez Reef	Reef (9)	Hopley (1982)
34	Swains Reef High	Plateau (15)	Hopley (1982)
35	Tasman Basin	Basin (8)	Hill (1994)
36	Tasmantid Seamounts	Seamount (13)	McDougall & Duncan (1988)
37	Townsville Trough	Trough (7)	Struckmeyer et al. (1994)
38	Tregrosse Reef	Reef (9)	Davies et al. (1989)
39	Trinity Opening	Channel (10)	Harris & Baker (1988)

40	Whitsunday Passage	Channel (10)	Hopley (1982)
41	Willis Reef	Reef (9)	Hopley (1982)

Table 3.10. Geomorphic make-up of the northeast margin. Code refers to the geomorphic feature type listed in Table 2.2.

Code	Geomorphic Feature	Km ²	Percent
1	Shelf*	242,250	18.29
2	Slope*	974,610	73.58
3	Rise*	15,940	1.20
4	Abyssal plain*	91,740	6.93
	Total	1,324,540	100.00
1	Shelf*	151,390	11.43
2	Slope*	187,190	14.13
3	Rise*	14,700	1.11
4	Abyssal plain*	66,440	5.02
5	Bank/Shoal	3,280	0.25
6	Deep/Hole/Valley	31,280	2.36
7	Trench/Trough	86,890	6.56
8	Basin	144,240	10.89
9	Reef	41,200	3.11
10	Canyons	6,180	0.47
11	Knoll/Abyssal Hills/Hill/Peak	970	0.07
12	Ridge	680	0.05
13	Seamount/Guyot	8,860	0.67
14	Pinnacle	690	0.05
15	Plateau	466,140	35.19
16	Saddle	48,000	3.62
17	Apron/Fan	2,700	0.21
20	Terrace	62,500	4.72
21	Sandwave/Sand bank	1,210	0.09

* First row of continental shelf, slope, rise and abyssal plain areas are total, mutually exclusive areas. Second row continental shelf, slope, rise and abyssal plain areas are less the surface areas of superimposed features (e.g., shelf area is total minus superimposed basin area, sill area, terrace area, etc.).

3.6. Eastern Margin (Fraser Island to Cape Howe)

The east Australian continental margin extends for more than 1,400 km from Fraser Island in the north to the south coast of New South Wales. The area included in this study extends from the coast to the limit of the EEZ and covers an area of 1,066,630 km² (Table 3.11). The geomorphology of the margin (Fig. 3.24) and the origins and development of its geomorphic features can be directly attributed to rifting and break-up between Australia and the Lord Howe Rise/Dampier Ridge in the Late Cretaceous and Paleogene (Hayes and Ringis, 1973; Weissel and Hayes, 1977; Shaw, 1978, 1979). The narrow shelf and steep continental slope are the products of asymmetric plate rifting between 60 and 80 million years ago (Veevers et al., 1991). The eastern margin may be contrasted with the typical "Atlantic type" passive margin by way of its narrowness, the relatively thin sequence of post-rift sediments and the steepness of the slope (Marshall, 1979). Geomorphic features that have been named or that have been reported in scientific investigations are listed in Table 3.11 and the geomorphic make-up of the margin is provided in Table 3.12.

3.6.1. Continental Shelf

The continental shelf covers an area of 58,920 km² (Table 3.11). The shelf is relatively narrow in comparison with other parts of Australia, having an average width of about 25 km (Fig. 3.25). It is 10 km in width adjacent to Montague Island (36°15'S) and widens between Moreton and Fraser Islands to nearly 75 km (26°-27°). The coastline generally trends NE-SW between Cape Howe and Cape Byron, before turning N-S between Cape Byron and Fraser Island.

Shelf Break.— The shelf break is defined by a change in gradient from $<0.5^\circ$ on the shelf to $>1.0^\circ$ on the upper slope. This occurs at a water depth of 120 m at Tweed Heads and at 155 m off Sugarloaf Point (Roy and Thom, 1981). The depth of the shelf break is fairly uniform at between 145 to 165 m along the southern to middle parts of the NSW shelf (Davies, 1979). Northwards, however, the shelf break becomes progressively shallower, reaching a minimum depth of about 70 m adjacent to Fraser Island (Marshall, 1979). In general, the shelf gradient is steepest between the shoreline and the 60-100 m isobath. In the water depths of 100-150 m there is typically a flat ($<0.2^\circ$) planar surface, termed the middle shelf plain by Phipps (1963). The depth and morphology of the shelf break are probably controlled by the underlying bedrock geometry and by the prograding sediment wedge and its differential compaction (Jones et al., 1975; Davies, 1979).

Shelf Terraces.— Terraces, "knick points", and other breaks in slope occur along all sections of the shelf, but are particularly well developed in profiles between Sugarloaf Point and Jervis Bay (Davies, 1979). In this area, histograms of terrace depths show three "peaks" centred around water depths of 40-60 m, 80-100 m and 120-140 m. The depths at which the terraces occur suggest their formation is related to earlier Pleistocene sea levels, when they were cut by erosional processes.

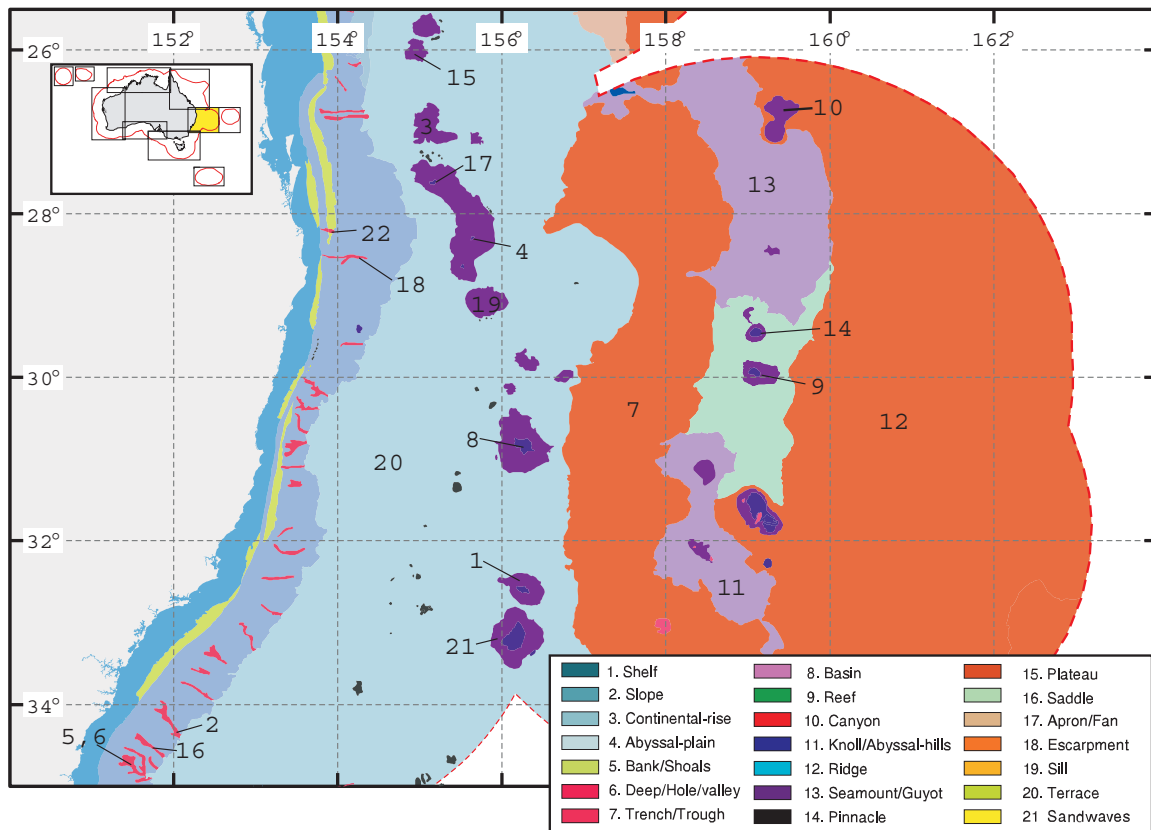


Figure 3.24. Geomorphic features on the eastern margin. See Table 3.11 for key to place names and Table 3.12 for surface areas of features.

Middle Shelf Banks.— In the northern part of the area there are several banks of notable size on the middle shelf. These include Barwon Bank (26° 30' S) and Windarra Bank, located to the south of Tweed Heads (28° 28' S, 153° 42' E). These banks rise from water depths of 50 to 60 m on the middle shelf to within 22-30 m of the surface. Other smaller, un-named banks are located at water depths of 50-60 m on the shelf between North Stradbroke Island and Fraser Island. The banks are thought to be the partly-cemented remains of drowned coastal sand bars (Jones and Kudras, 1982).

Bedrock Outcrop.— In the region 29-30° S the inner shelf undulates to 50 m. This rugged topography is associated with outcrop of basement rock (Marshall, 1972). From 30° S to Coffs Harbour, a number of islands, such as North Solitary Island, occur some 5-11 km offshore. Numerous shoals and pinnacles also occur, some of these being exposed above sea level. These appear to be outcrops of bedrock and are associated with the rough topography on the inner shelf (Marshall, 1972). Similar rough topography at depths of 170-260 m in the region south of 31° S is also attributed to bedrock outcrop (Marshall, 1972).

3.6.2. Continental Slope and Rise

The morphology of the continental slope is dominated by basement structure. The slope is generally broadly concave, especially in the south. The gradient varies from

less than 1° on the mid-slope, where sediments are trapped behind basement ridges, to 20° where basement is exposed on the seabed (Colwell et al., 1993). North of 28° S, the upper slope is a sloping platform, while the lower slope steepens to 11° (Marshall, 1972). The angle of the upper continental slope is generally less than 2° in the area north of Jervis Bay, except near latitude $34^\circ 10'$ S where it is more than 4° . South of Jervis Bay the inclination of the slope progressively increases, so that slopes of more than 10° are common (Davies, 1979).

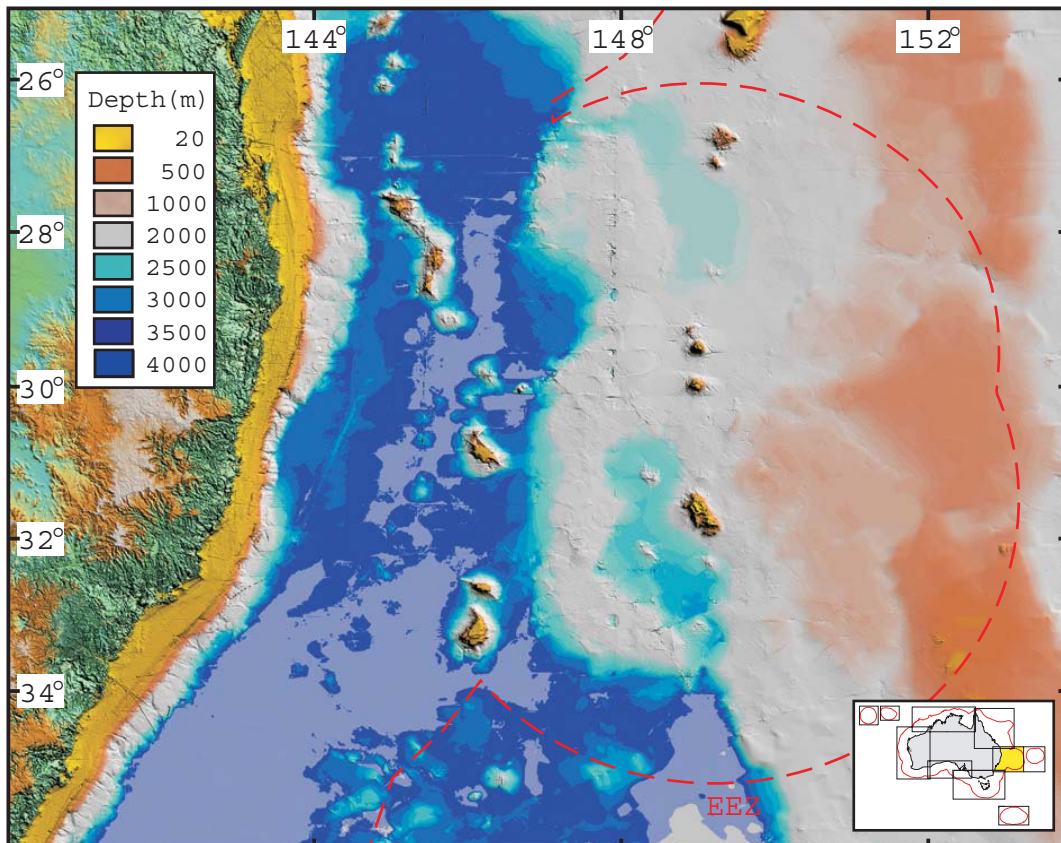


Figure 3.25. False-colour bathymetric image illuminated from the north showing the eastern margin with the Tasman Sea basin and marginal plateaus

The depth at which the upper and lower slope is divided varies from 200-270 m along the slope, although in some areas the steepest slopes are below 500 m (Marshall, 1972). Bedrock outcrop is present on the eastern edge of the upper slope in the region north of 28° S (Marshall, 1972). Jenkins (1992) observed long ridges (>200 m) of exposed bedrock in water depths of 2,500-4,000 m in the region of 34° - 36° S. These represent the edges of blocks tilted in the rifted structure (Jenkins, 1992). Jenkins also observed raised volcanic/igneous ring complexes at mid-slope depths (3,000 m), which are related to volcanic activity during rifting of the Lord Howe Rise (Hubble et al., 1992; Section 3.7).

Submarine Canyons.— Canyon systems are common on the slope of this region (Figs. 3.25 and 3.26). Davies (1979) and Packham (1983) noted the presence of several submarine canyons in the upper slope interpreted from bathymetric data. Marshall (1972) identified two canyons on the continental slope in northern NSW, between 28° and 29° S; the Tweed and Richmond Canyons (Table 3.11). At 200 m water depth the

Tweed Canyon has a width of 6.5 km, with an axial depth of 75 m and wall height of 480 m. Rugged topography on the southern edge of the canyon probably reflects exposed bedrock on the walls and seabed (Marshall, 1972). The width of the Richmond Canyon is 13.5 km, with axial depth >800 m. Rough topography and pinnacles on the southern margin similarly reflect exposed bedrock, which together with a tributary canyon, contribute to relief of 150 m (Marshall, 1972).

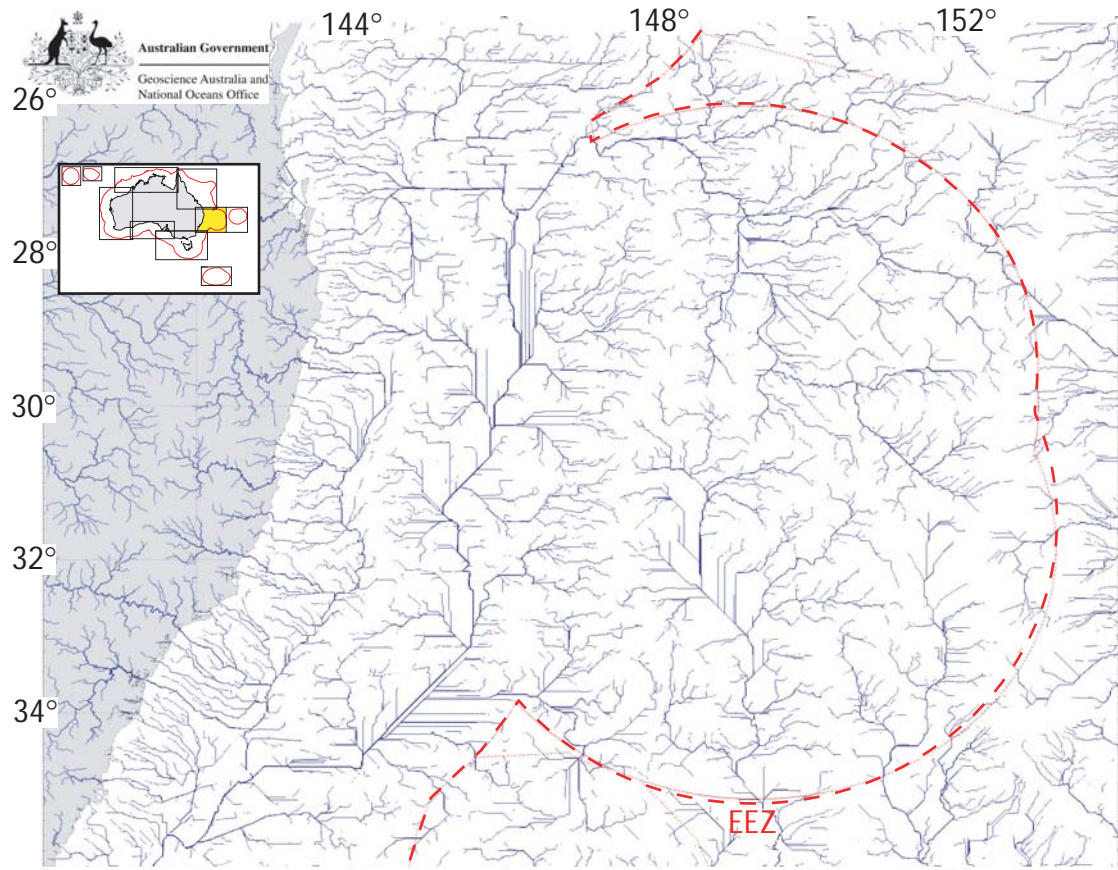


Figure 3.26. Predicted drainage system of the eastern margin, showing the positions of major shelf valleys and submarine canyons on the continental slope.

Between 30° and 31° S the continental slope is strongly dissected by numerous canyons and tributaries, which merge into at least five canyons further downslope (Marshall, 1972). A survey using GLORIA sidescan sonar over the slope between 34° and 36° S revealed numerous submarine canyons of differing scale (Jenkins and Lawrence, 1990). Davies (1979) identified ten canyons or canyon-like features (some of which may be tributaries of the same canyon system) on the upper slope in the area between Jervis Bay and Bermagui. Canyons north of Batemans Bay are included in Table 3.12. The remaining canyons are listed in Section 3.1.

Beecroft Canyon has a wide upper portion and a V-shaped profile from water depths of 530-728 m. The two sections are separated by a broad terrace on the north and a narrower terrace on the southern side (Davies, 1979). Perpendicular Canyon has a similar profile, with shoulders at water depths of 379 and 366 m. The canyon is 1 km wide across the shoulders. The flat floor occurs at a water depth of 596 m and is 0.25 km wide (Davies, 1979). St George Canyon is a much smaller feature, lacking the typical V-shaped profile. It is 1 km wide, with a floor at a water depth of 448 m

(Davies, 1979). Conjola Canyons are also smaller features; Conjola A, which lacks a V-shaped profile, is about 2 km wide, while Conjola B is 0.5 km wide (Davies, 1979).

It is evident that a high degree of slope erosion and canyon formation has occurred along certain sections of the NSW and southern Queensland shelf over various time scales. However, none of the canyons intrude onto the shelf, or into water depths shallower than the shelf break. Marshall (1979) noted that even though the Tweed and Richmond Canyons occur off river mouths, there is no evidence of channels on the shelf. Both canyons appear to head in water depths of 160-180 m. Geological studies (e.g., Marshall, 1972; Davies, 1979) have inferred from this that canyon formation occurred during times of lower relative sea level and that they are inactive under the present high sea-level conditions.

3.6.3. Continental Rise and Abyssal Plain

A continental rise (and wider slope) is present in the area between Cape Morton and Coffs Harbour, with the rise extending to the Britannia Guyots (Marshall, 1972). There is no development of a continental rise off southern NSW (Colwell et al., 1993). This reflects a low level of sediment input, probably caused by sediment trapping on the shelf or slope, low terrigenous input to the coast and sediment bypassing in canyon systems (Colwell et al., 1993).

The foot of the slope generally occurs in water depths of between 4,600 m and 4,850 m (Jenkins, 1992; Colwell et al., 1993). The upper surface of the abyssal plain is generally smooth, although in places at the base of slope, current scour has produced a small channel or moat (Colwell et al., 1993). Jenkins (1992) noted patches of reflective sediment that appear to be ribbons of silt, winnowed by currents at abyssal depths.

Tasman Sea.— Between the Australian continent and the Dampier Ridge (discussed in Section 3.7) lie the volcanic seamounts of the Tasmantid Seamount Chain, created by hotspot activity. Included in this region of the coastline are, from north to south: Moreton Seamount, Brisbane Guyot, Britannia Guyots, incorporating Queensland Guyot, Stradbroke Seamount, Derwent-Hunter Guyot, Barcoo Bank and Taupo Bank (Table 3.11), as well as several un-named structures. These seamounts vary in size and complexity from the complex of major seamounts forming Britannia Guyots to smaller structures, such as Barcoo Bank. All the features are flat-topped. The northern seamounts rise from the seabed to summit at water depths of 150-400 m (Marshall, 1972). The southern seamounts are deeper: Stradbroke Seamount rises to 900 m water depth (Marshall, 1972), while Barcoo Bank rises to less than 1,400 m water depth (Hill et al., 2000).

Table 3.11. List of previously described geomorphic features on the eastern margin. Features are numbered (left hand column) on Fig. 3.24.

No.	Geomorphic Feature	Feature Type	References
1	Barcoo Bank	Seamount (13)	Ringis and Hayes (1972)
2	Beecroft Canyon	Canyon (10)	Davies (1979)
3	Brisbane Guyot	Seamount (13)	Ringis and Hayes (1972)
4	Brittania Guyots	Seamount (13)	Ringis and Hayes (1972)
5	Conjola Canyon A	Canyon (10)	Davies (1979)
6	Conjola Canyon B	Canyon (10)	Davies (1979)
7	Dampier Ridge	Ridge (12)	McDougall et al. (1994)
8	Derwent-Hunter Guyot	Seamount (13)	Ringis and Hayes (1972)
9	Elizabeth Reef	Seamount (13)	Mammerickx et al. (1971)
10	Gifford Guyot	Seamount (13)	Mammerickx et al. (1971)
11	Lord Howe Basin	Basin (8)	Stagg et al. (2002)
12	Lord Howe Rise	Ridge (12)	Stagg et al. (2002)
13	Middleton Basin	Basin (8)	Stagg et al. (2002)
14	Middleton Reef	Seamount (13)	Mammerickx et al. (1971)
15	Moreton Seamount	Seamount (13)	Ringis and Hayes (1972)
16	Perpendicular Canyon	Canyon (10)	Davies (1979)
17	Queensland Guyot	Seamount (13)	Ringis and Hayes (1972)
18	Richmond Canyon	Canyon (10)	Marshall (1972)
19	Stradbroke Seamount	Seamount (13)	Ringis and Hayes (1972)
20	Tasman Basin	Basin (8)	Hill (1994)
21	Taupo Bank	Seamount (13)	Ringis and Hayes (1972)
22	Tweed Canyon	Canyon (10)	Marshall (1972)

Table 3.12. Geomorphic make-up of the eastern margin. Code refers to the geomorphic feature type listed in Table 2.2.

Code	Geomorphic Feature	Km ²	Percent
1	Shelf*	58,920	5.52
2	Slope*	618,310	57.97
3	Rise*	9,780	0.92
4	Abyssal plain*	379,620	35.59
	Total	1,066,630	100.00
1	Shelf*	54,980	5.16
2	Slope*	78,660	7.38
3	Rise*	9,780	0.92
4	Abyssal plain*	354,480	33.23
6	Deep/Hole/Valley	410	0.04

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8	Basin	65,100	6.10
9	Reef	40	0.004
10	Canyons	4,460	0.42
11	Knoll/Abyssal Hills/Hill/Peak	2,440	0.23
12	Ridge	220	0.02
13	Seamount/Guyot	28,720	2.69
14	Pinnacle	1,160	0.11
15	Plateau	428,030	40.13
16	Saddle	23,470	2.20
17	Apron/Fan	5,120	0.48
20	Terrace	9,560	0.90

* First row of continental shelf, slope, rise and abyssal plain areas are total, mutually exclusive areas. Second row continental shelf, slope, rise and abyssal plain areas are less the surface areas of superimposed features (e.g., shelf area is total minus superimposed basin area, sill area, terrace area, etc.).

3.7. Lord Howe Rise and Norfolk Rise Margin

The seafloor within the limits of the Australian EEZ surrounding Lord Howe Rise and Norfolk Rise covers an area of 431,170 km² (Table 3.13; Fig. 3.27). The development of the geomorphic features comprising the Lord Howe Rise and Norfolk Ridge is related to seafloor spreading, following late-Cretaceous initiation of rifting between the Challenger Plateau and the middle Lord Howe Rise, associated with the opening of the Tasman Sea (Gaina et al., 1998). The breakup of the Tasman Sea is interpreted as a complex history of events (Jongsma and Mutter, 1978; Gaina et al., 1998). As a result, much of the morphology of the region is complex with the region east of Norfolk Ridge, in particular, interpreted as an area of complex depressions and plateaus (Bernardel et al., 2002). For this reason, the morphology of this area is discussed in terms of the major provinces identified by Bernardel et al. (2002) and Stagg et al. (2002). Geomorphic features (Fig. 3.27) that have been named or that have been reported in scientific investigations are listed in Table 3.13 and the geomorphic make-up of the region is provided in Table 3.14. Bathymetric data are particularly sparse in the region (Fig. 3.28), and hence the details of features are only poorly defined. The reliability of the geomorphic features map is thus not as good here as for other parts of Australia.

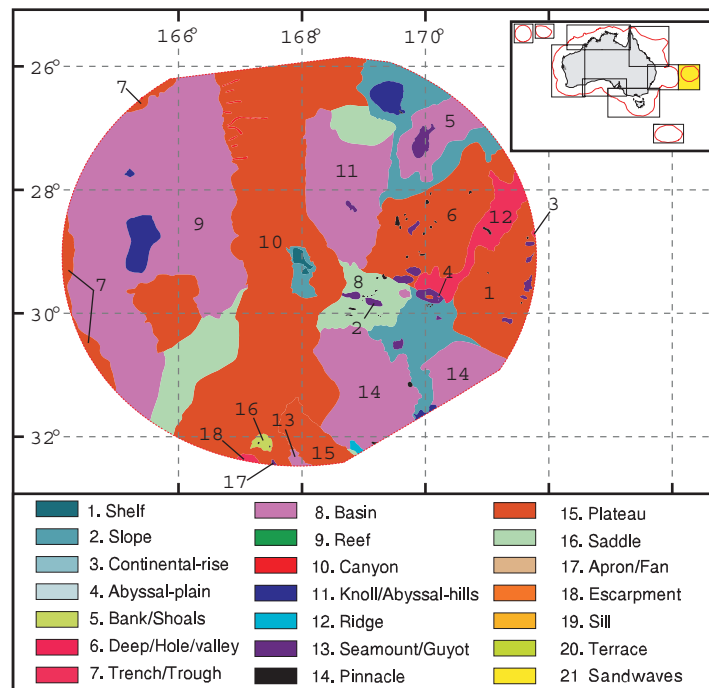


Figure 3.27. Geomorphic features on the Norfolk Ridge margin. See Table 3.13 for key to place names and Table 3.14 for surface areas of features.

3.7.1. Dampier Ridge-Lord Howe Rise Region

Dampier Ridge.— The Dampier Ridge extends over 800 km on a northerly trend between 34° S and 26° S, averaging about 100 km in width. The western margin consists of steep NNW-trending sections and more gently sloping NW-trending sections (McDougall et al., 1994). The western margin appears to be underlain by *en*

echelon N-S oriented fault blocks (Hill et al., 2000). Heights of the crests range from 2,000-2,500 m (Stagg et al., 2002).

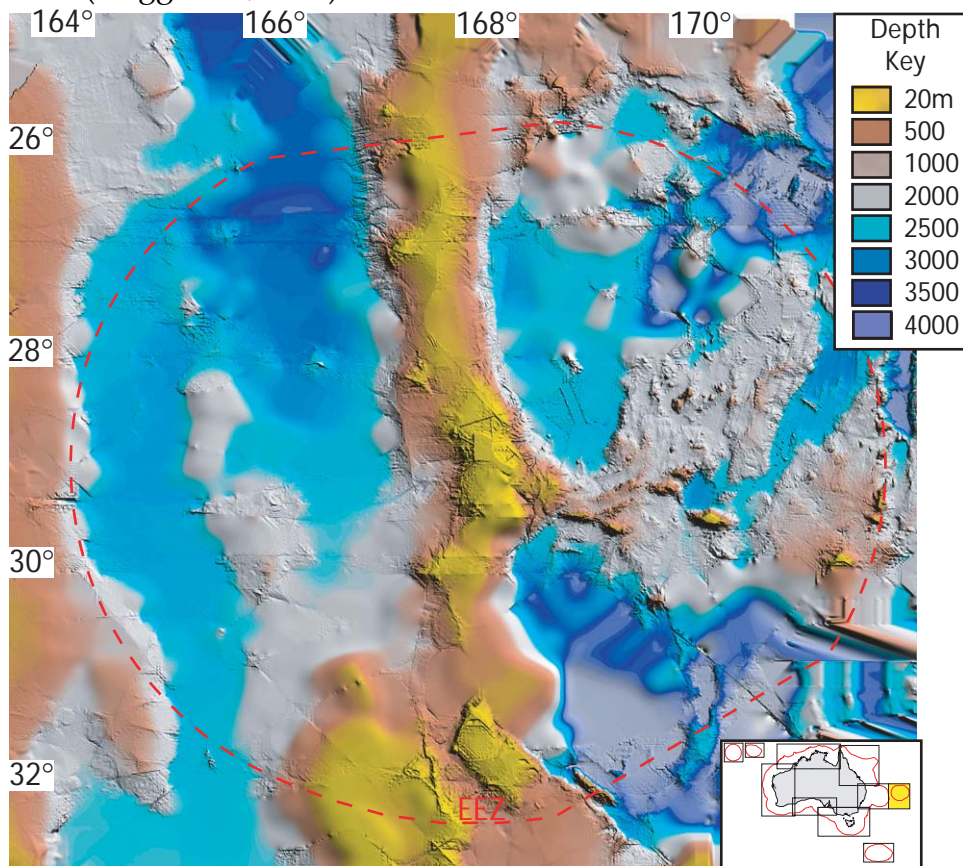


Figure 3.28. False-colour bathymetric image illuminated from the north of the Norfolk Ridge margin. Data coverage is very sparse in this region, causing the image to contain numerous ship-track and extrapolation artefacts.

Lord Howe Basin.— The Lord Howe Basin lies between Lord Howe Rise and the Dampier Ridge. It is 4,050 m deep and generally flat-bottomed, except for a large seamount that rises steeply from the centre of the basin to water depths of at least 2,800 m (Hill et al., 2000). Collectively, the basins of the Norfolk Ridge area account for nearly 40% of the surface area (Table 3.13), comprising the single most important geomorphic feature of the region.

Middleton Basin.— The Middleton Basin lies between Lord Howe Rise and the Dampier Ridge to the north of the Lord Howe Basin (Willcox et al., 1980; Stagg et al., 2002). The mean water depths in the basin are 3,000 m (McDougall et al., 1994).

Lord Howe Rise.— The Lord Howe Rise is the largest feature in the region, extending from the eastern Coral Sea in the north to the Bellonia Trough in the south. It is about 2,500 km in length and has a width of 450-650 km. The Lord Howe Rise covers an area of about 1,100,000 km² (Bernardel et al., 2002). The NW-trending northern segment of the Lord Howe Rise merges with a region of complex topography, which includes the Kenn Plateau and Mellish Rise. The central segment, which occurs over the region 24°-34° S, has a N-S trend and extends for some 1,100 km. The southern segment again trends NW-SE. Excluding the islands and banks of

the Lord Howe seamount chain on the western flanks of the chain, the rise is shallowest in the east occur in water depths that range from 1,000-1,500 m (Stagg et al., 2002).

On the western flanks of the rise is the N-trending Lord Howe seamount chain, which includes isolated islands and banks, such as Elizabeth and Middleton Reefs and Gifford Guyot (Table 3.13). Lord Howe Island and Ball's Pyramid, which are also part of this chain, are the eroded, subaerial remains of volcanic edifices (McDougall et al., 1981). This complex is 90 km (NNW-SSE) by 50 km (WSW-ENE) and lies in water depths of between 1,800 m (ENE) and 3,500 m (WSW). Swath bathymetry data from Hill et al. (2000) shows the submarine flanks of the islands to be rugged and steep, commonly 10°-20° or steeper. The structure includes flow structures, canyons and numerous volcanic cones and pinnacles. At least one cone 200 m high occurs on the adjacent rise.

New Caledonia Basin.— The New Caledonia Basin lies to the east of the Lord Howe Rise. It extends for about 2,000 km from the North Island of New Zealand to the SW of New Caledonia. The northern and southern segments trend NW while the central segment lies N-S. The basin has a strong linearity, with an average width of about 150 km. The bed of the basin is generally flat-lying and occurs in water depths of 3,000 m (Stagg et al., 2002).

Norfolk Ridge.— The Norfolk Ridge is a major feature in this region, comprising a complex system of ridges and basins, extending from New Caledonia in the north to New Zealand in the south (Eade, 1988; Bernardel et al., 2002). The northern section is a steep-sided, narrow submerged continental ridge, approximately 70 km wide, with water depths at the crest of between 500-1,500 m (Hill, 1993). The only exposed parts on the central section are Norfolk and Phillip Islands, which were formed by volcanic activity (Jones and McDougall, 1973).

3.7.2. West Norfolk Ridge System

The West Norfolk Ridge system forms the southward continuation of the Norfolk Ridge (Stagg et al., 2002; Bernardel et al., 2002). It comprises a series of NW-trending ridges and basins; from southwest to northeast these include the West Norfolk Ridge, Wanganella Trough, Wanganella Ridge, Wanganella Bank, Reinga Basin and Taranui Block (Table 3.13). The Wanganella Bank (Table 3.13) forms the northern extension of the Wanganella Ridge (P. Symonds, *pers. comm.*). Water depths in this system range from 300-1,000 m on the ridges to 1,500-2,000 m in the intervening basins (Bernardel et al., 2002).

Norfolk Province.— The Norfolk Province comprises the North Norfolk Basin, which is bounded to the north by a plateau area (Bernardel et al., 2002). The southern margin of the province has gentle slopes of 2°-4°, punctuated by several volcanoes. The western margin with the Norfolk ridge is irregular, with deep NE-trending linear canyons. The margin appears to be stepped with slopes averaging 8°-13° and attaining 13°-22° in places. A central seamount occurs at 28°14' S, 168°45' E.

Nepean Province.– The Nepean Province includes the Nepean Saddle, a spur of the Norfolk Ridge, located to the east of Norfolk Island, and a portion of the South Norfolk Basin (Bernardel et al., 2002). The province is characterised by an irregular surface, with several large seamounts, ridges and basins.

Nepean Saddle.– The Nepean Saddle separates the North and South Norfolk Basins. It is approximately 39 km wide adjacent to the Norfolk Ridge and widens eastwards along two distinct broad ridges, trending ESE and ENE, respectively. The saddle is undulating with gentle 4°-8° slopes to the northeast and east, descending into the North Norfolk Basin and is dotted by seamounts. The southern margin of the saddle has a distinct E-W oriented seamount, Blackbourne Seamount (Table 3.13), which peaks at about 800 m (Bernardel et al., 2002). The surrounding slopes average 8°-18° with some steepening to 18°-27° where they descend into the South Norfolk Basin. Several smaller volcanic peaks punctuate the seamount. East of the seamount, the ridge broadens and forms an irregular surface with several small volcanic peaks and a small oval-shaped basin. The summit of the main ridge ranges in water depths from 2,100 to 2,600 m. The ridge dips gently (0°-4°) towards the South Norfolk Basin. At the eastern edge of the province is the Faust Guyot, which rises to about 600 m from the surrounding seabed which occurs in water depths of between 3,000 and 3,500 m. The slopes circling the seamount are 18°-27° near the summit and 8°-18° in the lower reaches. The northern ridge of the Nepean Saddle is characterised by three parallel NE-trending ridges, with volcanic peaks and seamounts, and two moderately-sized seamounts. The northeast corner of the province contains two irregularly-shaped seamounts, centred at 29°26' S, 169°40' E and 29°18' S, 169°46' E. The seamounts, which peak at water depths of 900 m and 1000 m, respectively are separated by a saddle at a depth of about 2,200 m. The slopes, which range from 8°-18° to 18°-27° in areas, show numerous volcanoes on the lower reaches.

South Norfolk Basin.– A portion of this basin occurs in the southern part of the Nepean Province. It is bounded to the north by the Nepean Saddle. The western margin is defined by the NNE-trending escarpment of the Norfolk Ridge. The basin floor in this area, which occurs in water depths ranging from 2,700 to 3,700 m, is undulating and increases gradually in depth to the south. A central high region is defined by two east-trending ridges at water depths of 2,500-3,000 m, dotted by small volcanoes, and a group of NE-trending volcanoes (Bernardel et al., 2002).

Forster Basin.– The Forster Basin, which comprises the Forster Province, lies to the east of the Kingston Province. Its western and southern margins border the Norfolk Province. It comprises an oval-shaped basin characterised by deeper bathymetry, relative to the North Norfolk Basin. A distinct feature is a large seamount centred at 27°10' S, 169°58' E (Bernardel et al., 2002).

Kingston Province.– The Kingston Province is a triangular-shaped province characterised by a north-east-trending trough, the Phillip Trough, which separates the Bates Plateau in the south east from the Kingston Plateau in the west (Bernardel et al., 2002).

Bates Plateau.– The Bates Plateau is a wedge-shaped plateau, which extends northwards from the high separating the North and South Norfolk Basins (Bernardel et al., 2002). The western margin of the plateau is irregular with numerous

embayments. It slopes gently (2° - 8°) towards the north and west, descending into the adjacent broad depression. The eastern flanks are rugged with NE to SE-dipping slopes of 13° - 18° and several spurs protrude into the adjacent Cagou Trough. The surface of the plateau is undulating and rippled. Depths along the main plateau range from 2100-2600 m. A distinct ESE-trending saddle traverses the plateau at latitude $28^{\circ}51'$ S. Small seamounts punctuate the central and western areas.

Kingston Plateau.— The Kingston Plateau lies directly east of the North Norfolk Basin and north of the Nepean Province (Bernardel et al., 2002). The plateau has an irregular, undulating surface, marked by depressions, seamounts and volcanic edifices. Bathymetry is variable, ranging between 2,200-2,900 m, with seamounts rising to 2,100 m depth. The south-western margin is characterised by 8° - 18° south-west to north-west-dipping slopes that descend into the adjacent, deeper floor of the North Norfolk Basin. The slopes along the eastern margin generally dip 2° - 8° towards the north east and south. Areas in the central region are marked by escarpments with slopes of 13° - 22° . Seamounts and volcanoes dominate in the southern half of the plateau. Two larger seamounts are centred at $28^{\circ}41'$ S, $169^{\circ}46'$ E and $28^{\circ}33'$ S, $169^{\circ}51'$ E, with summits of 1600 m and 1200 m respectively. The south-western margin has a series of discontinuous ridges, while the northern half of the plateau is characterised by a further series of discontinuous ridges, trending N, NE and NNE, with scattered volcanic edifices.

Phillip Trough.— The Phillip Trough separates the two plateau regions of the province (Bernardel et al., 2002). It has an irregular shape that trends northeast in the south and swings more to a north-south orientation in the north. The trough is arch-shaped at the northern extent and rectangular in the central region. In the south it is narrow initially, broadening to the south, with a distinct circular basin in the southwest. The basin floor lies at a depth of around 3400-3500 m in the north and central regions, rising to 3000-3300 m in the south. The southeast margin of the central trough is irregular and characterised by numerous embayments. In the northeast, the trough is separated from the Cagou Trough by a narrow sinuous escarpment-bounded ridge with 18° - 27° NE to E-dipping slopes and 0° - 8° N to NW-dipping slopes. The western flanks of the trough are well defined with slopes ranging from 2° - 13° to the east and south. The margin is irregular in the south, being linear in the central region and curved in the north. Overall the trough floor is broadly undulating with prominent northwest dips. Small seamounts with peaks of 2700-2900 m occur in the northern and central areas. Between latitudes $28^{\circ}34'$ S and $28^{\circ}44'$ S there is a series of well-defined south-easterly-trending series of volcanoes lying at about 2700 m water depth. The trough floor in this region is rough with irregular rises and volcanoes. The southern region is gently undulating with a scattering of small seamounts.

Cagou Trough.— The Cagou Trough is a well-defined N-S oriented feature which is centred approximately along latitude $171^{\circ}52'$ E (Bernardel et al., 2002). The trough consists of a series of basins that can be broadly divided into three main regions: northern, central and southern. Overall the trough shallows to the south, with the minimum depth of 2940 m reached in the southern region. The deepest part of the trough occurs in a central smooth-floored basin with a maximum depth of about 4260

m. The western margin of the trough is a series of well-defined steep, arcuate slopes that become more irregular in the south. These western slopes range from 18°-27° in the north, becoming progressively more variable in the south and ranging from 4°-13°. The eastern margin is relatively linear with slopes of 8°-13°, decreasing to 4°-8° in the south.

Table 3.13. List of previously described geomorphic features on the Lord Howe Rise/Norfolk Ridge margin. Features are numbered (left hand column) on Fig. 3.27.

No.	Geomorphic Feature	Feature Type	References
1	Bates Plateau	Plateau (15)	Bernardel et al. (2002)
2	Blackbourne Seamount	Seamount (13)	Bernardel et al. (2002)
3	Cagou Trough	Trough (7)	Bernardel et al. (2002)
4	Faust Guyot	Seamount (13)	Bernardel et al. (2002)
5	Forster Basin	Basin (8)	Bernardel et al. (2002)
6	Kingston Plateau	Ridge (12)	Bernardel et al. (2002)
7	Lord Howe Rise	Plateau/Rise (15)	Stagg et al. (2002)
8	Nepean Saddle	Saddle (16)	Bernardel et al. (2002)
9	New Caledonia Basin	Basin (8)	Stagg et al. (2002)
10	Norfolk Ridge	Ridge (12)	Bernardel et al. (2002)
11	North Norfolk Basin	Basin (8)	Bernardel et al. (2002)
12	Phillip Trough	Trough (7)	Bernardel et al. (2002)
13	Reinga Basin	Basin (8)	Bernardel et al. (2002)
14	South Norfolk Basin	Basin (8)	Bernardel et al. (2002)
15	Taranui Block	Plateau (15)	Bernardel et al. (2002)
16	Wanganella Bank	Bank (5)	Bernardel et al. (2002)
17	Wanganella Ridge	Ridge (12)	Bernardel et al. (2002)
18	Wanganella Trough	Trough (7)	Bernardel et al. (2002)

Table 3.14. Geomorphic make-up of the Lord Howe Rise/Norfolk Ridge margin. Code refers to the geomorphic feature type listed in Table 2.2.

Code	Geomorphic Feature	Km ²	Percent
1	Shelf*	680	0.16
2	Slope*	430,490	99.84
4	Abyssal plain	-	-
	Total	431,170	100
1	Shelf*	680	0.16
2	Slope*	31,300	7.26
5	Bank/Shoal	710	0.17
6	Deep/Hole/Valley	10	0.002
7	Trench/Trough	9,820	2.28

8	Basin	167,610	38.87
10	Canyons	620	0.14
11	Knoll/Abyssal Hills/Hill/Peak	6,800	1.58
12	Ridge	280	0.07
13	Seamount/Guyot	4,580	1.06
14	Pinnacle	800	0.19
15	Plateau	178,160	41.32
16	Saddle	29,800	6.91

* First row of continental shelf, slope, rise and abyssal plain areas are total, mutually exclusive areas. Second row continental shelf, slope, rise and abyssal plain areas are less the surface areas of superimposed features (e.g., shelf area is total minus superimposed basin area, sill area, terrace area, etc.).

3.8. Cocos-Keeling and Christmas Island Margins

The seafloor within the limits of the Australian EEZ surrounding Cocos-Keeling and Christmas Island margins cover areas of 467,250 km² and 328,150 km², respectively (Table 3.16; Fig. 3.29 A and B). The geomorphology of the region and development of the geomorphic features can be directly attributed to the rifting of India and Australia, and associated volcanism along fracture zones developed during the opening of the Indian Ocean and subsequent fusing of the Indo-Australian plate. Major geomorphic features that have been named or that have been reported in scientific investigations are listed in Table 3.15 and the geomorphic make-up of the region is provided in Table 3.16.

3.8.1. Cocos-Keeling Island Margin

The Cocos-Keeling Islands are a group of low-lying coral atolls in the northeast Indian Ocean. The islands have formed on a steep-sided seamount, which rises from a depth of 5,000 m. The seamounts on which the atolls have formed are the largest in an easterly trending chain of seamounts that are geologically related to the Christmas Islands further to the east. The Cocos-Keeling Islands are situated on a steep-sided irregularly shaped uplifted block called the Cocos Rise that contains numerous volcanic cones and seamounts. The seamounts are of variable shape and size and have summits that attain 1,000 m water depth. The surface of the rise is thus very rugged, and is dissected by numerous narrow valleys that criss-cross the surface and contain sediment up to 200 m thick (Jongsma 1976). To the south of the Cocos Islands is the Umitalea Mary Seamount, which rises from abyssal depths to within 16 m of the water surface. A distinct north-south trending ridge of variable height and width dissects the region and separates the Cocos Island seamounts from the Christmas Island seamounts. This steep-sided linear ridge is up to 2,000 m high, and contains rounded summits that have a similar appearance to the seamounts located on the plateaus either side of it. In the south, the ridge is bounded on both sides by linear depressions in the seafloor that have similar north-south trending axes.

The trench-ridge complex is probably similar in origin to the Ninetyeast Ridge, which lies west of the Cocos-Keeling Islands and represents a fault-related/hot-spot structure associated with a the northward movement of the Indian continent (Kashintsev et al. 2000). To the northwest and southeast of the Cocos-Keeling Islands, the Cocos and Wharton basins are abyssal plains with undulating seafloor topography. Numerous steep-sided seamounts and basement ridges cut the plains and produce a very rugged topography. Shallow basins of variable depth occur between the seamounts and ridges.

3.8.2. Christmas Island Margin

Java Trench.– The seabed morphology of the Java Trench is characterised by well-developed trench, fore-arc ridge, fore-arc basin, and volcanic arc elements. The trench is flanked to north by the fore-arc ridge, which has a rough surface and rises to water depths of 2,500 to 2,000 m. The slope rises steadily but irregularly to form two distinct parts; a very steep and rough lower slope that extends from the bottom

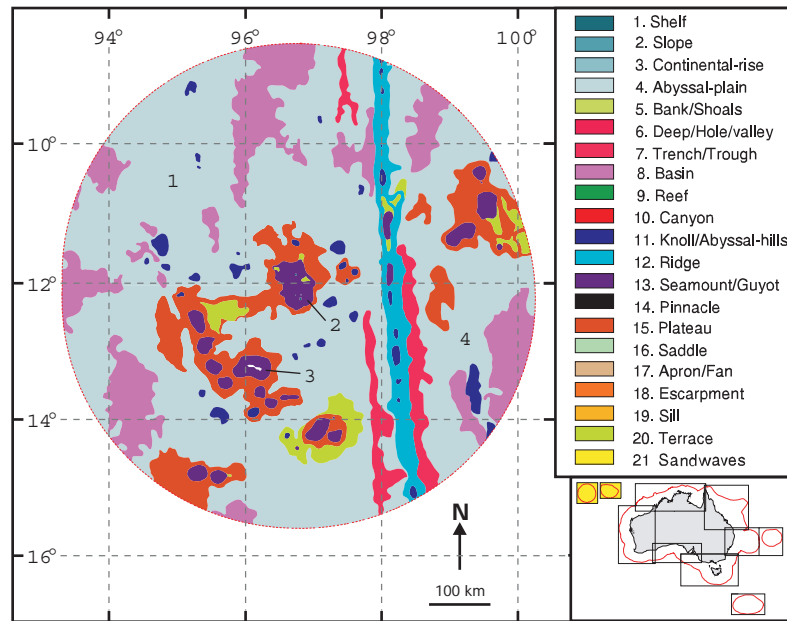


Figure 3.29. (A) Geomorphic features of the Cocos-Keeling Island margin. See Table 3.15 for key to place names and Table 3.16 for surface areas of features

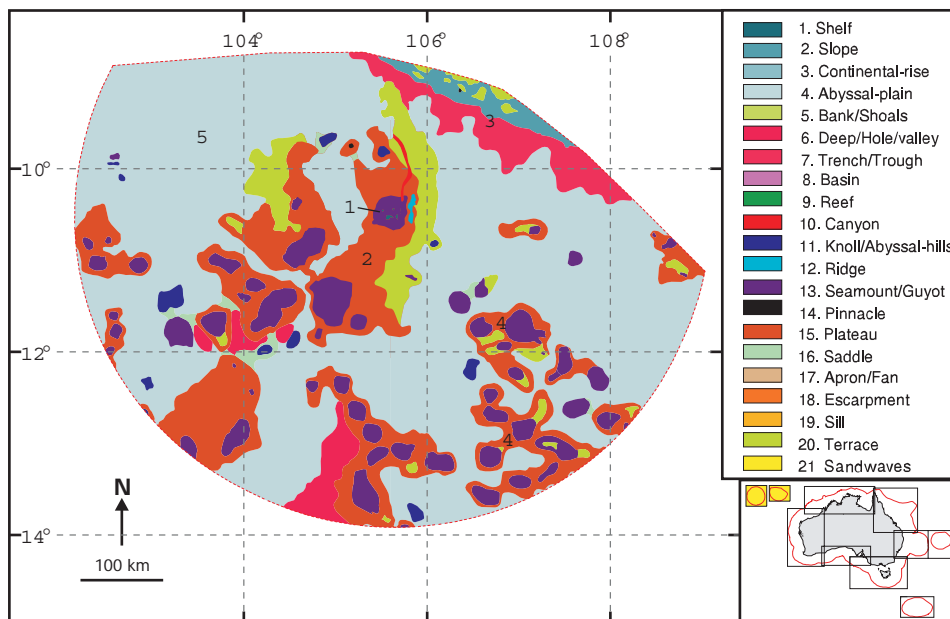


Figure 3.29–Cont. (B) Geomorphic features of the Christmas Island margin. See Table 3.15 for key to place names and Table 3.16 for surface areas of features.

of the trench to about 3,500 m and an upper slope that rises more gradually to the ridge crest (Borissova 1994). The upper slope also contains a series of steps defined by basement outcrops (Borissova 1994). The trench itself trends NW-SE and increases in depth from approximately 6,500 m in the west to more than 7,000 m in the east (Borissova 1994). The floor of the trench is generally flat or dips gently towards the axis. The depth of the trench correlates directly with the thickness of sediment in the trough, being shallower where the sediment is thicker. On the southern flank, the

seabed deflects gently downwards, and descends approximately 1,000 m over a 70-100 km wide region.

Throughout its length the trench forms distinct morphological segments between 70 and 100 km long. The segments are widest and deepest in the middle and narrow and shallow towards the edges (Exon et al., 1993). The edges represent transition zones that lie close to seamounts or submarine ridges approaching the trench. Local deeps are a result of seamounts being carried into the trench and causing down warping of the seafloor in the vicinity of the plate boundary. A major deviation in the trench axis occurs at about 106° E due to the influence of the Christmas Island Rise.

Christmas Island and Roo Rises.— Christmas Island resides on a steep-sided irregularly shaped elevated block called the Christmas Island Rise (Exon et al., 1993). The rise is between 800-1,000 m higher in places than the surrounding seabed and its surface is studded with numerous seamounts of variable heights, which produce both a rugged and undulating morphology. The seamounts are a continuation of the Vening-Meinesz seamounts. They form a NE-SW trending chain of densely spaced seamounts up to 50 km in diameter whose summits mostly attain 2,000 m water depth, although the largest seamount rises more than 5,000 m and forms Christmas Island (Rivereau, 1965). Where the rise abuts the Java Trench, the trench floor becomes very shallow and narrows considerably to approximately 40 km wide. This change in morphology is due to the impact of the Christmas Island rise on the trench, with the shallowing representing the presence of part of the rise in the trench (Borissova, 1994). In the eastern most regions, a similar effect on trench structure occurs with the impact of the Roo Rise where it deflects the strike of the Java Trench between 50-60 km to the north (Masson et al., 1990). The Roo Rise also forms an irregularly shaped elevated block that locally attains heights of 500 m above the surrounding seabed. It also contains seamounts.

Wharton Basin.— The seabed morphology of the Wharton Basin is quite diverse, but is most strikingly characterised by numerous seamounts that rise up from the abyssal plain in water depths of over 5,500 m. The seamounts, which attain heights of between 1,000 and 3,000 m, are generally grouped into clusters of large and small irregularly spaced volcanoes (Borissova, 1994). Most of the seamounts have very steep slopes and are circular and conical in shape. The seamounts form two distinct provinces that are related to the tectonic history of the region. In the west and centre, the seamounts are located on a large irregularly shaped block (Christmas Island Rise) and are described above. In the east, the seamounts trend NE-SW but are not associated with any uplifted region and they are smaller in size, with their summits occurring at about 3,000 m water depth (Borissova, 1994). Flat areas occur mostly in the northwest in water depths of about 5,400 m. Between the flat areas and seamount provinces, the seabed is characterised by abyssal hills that form an undulating topography of 30-40 m to 200 m relief. The hills typically coincide with outcropping basement ridges.

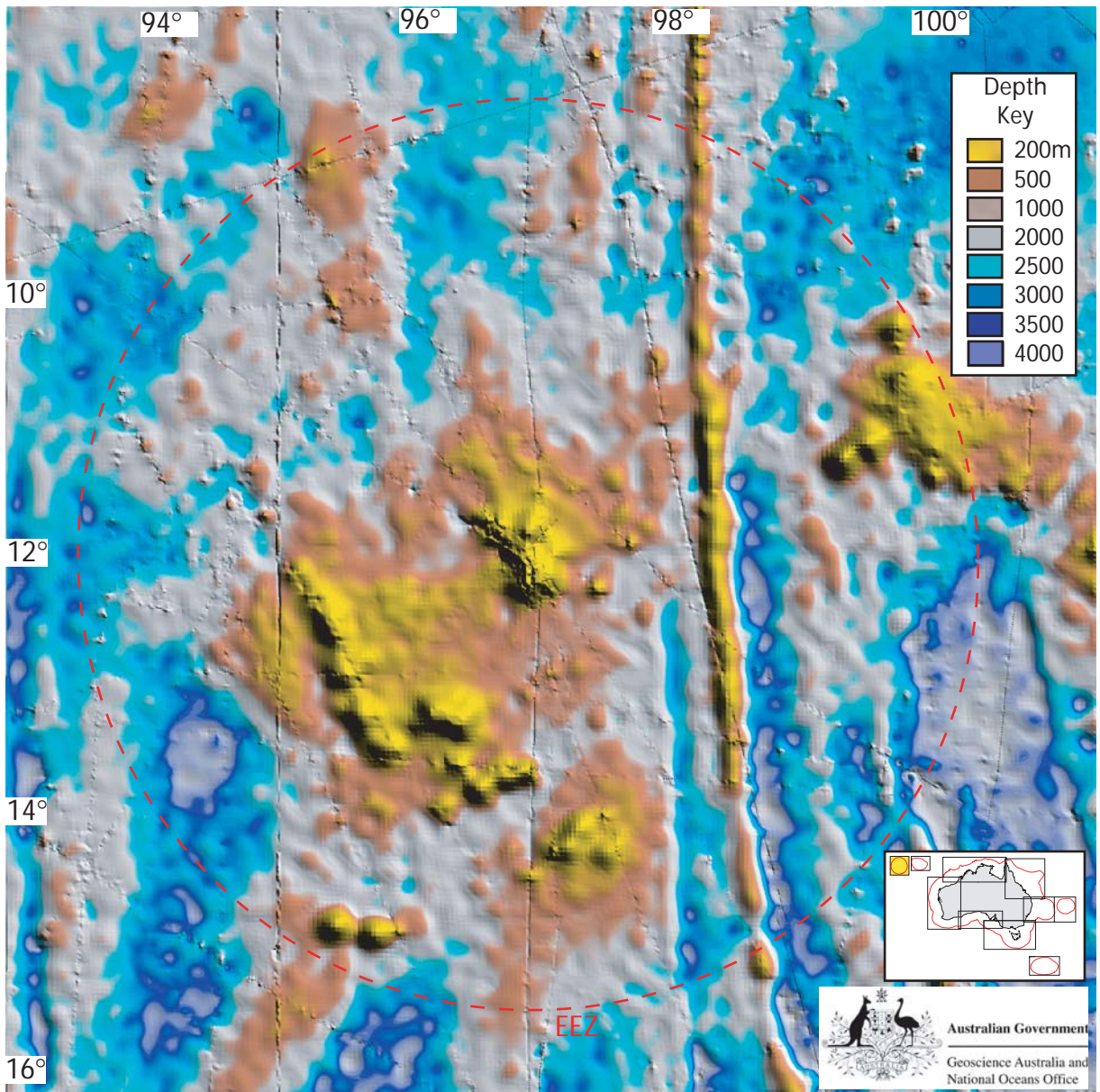


Figure 3.30. False-colour bathymetric image illuminated from the north of the Cocos-Keeling Island margin. Data coverage is very sparse in this region, causing the image to contain numerous ship-track and extrapolation artefacts.

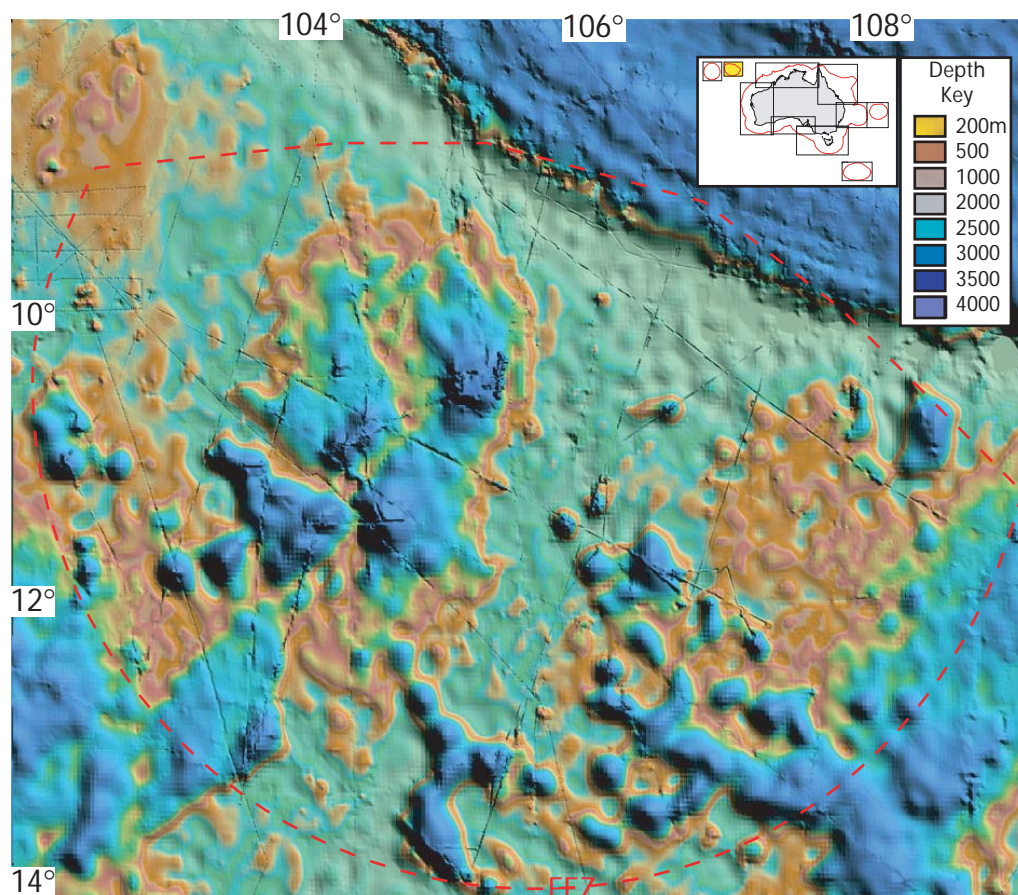


Figure 3.31. False-colour bathymetric image illuminated from the north of the Christmas Island margin. The Java Trench, up to 7,000 m deep, extends across the northern part of the image. Data coverage is very sparse in this region, causing the image to contain numerous ship-track and extrapolation artefacts.

Table 3.15A. List of previously described geomorphic features on the Cocos-Keeling Island margin. Feature are numbered (left hand column) on Fig. 3.29(A).

No.	Geomorphic Feature	Feature Type	References
1	Cocos Basin	Abyssal Plain (4)	Jongsma (1976)
2	Cocos Island Rise	Plateau (15)	Jongsma (1976)
3	Umitaka Mary Seamount	Seamount (13)	Jongsma (1976)
4	Wharton Basin	Abyssal Plain (4)	Jongsma (1976)

Table 3.15B. List of previously described geomorphic features on the Christmas Island margin. Features are numbered (left hand column) on Fig. 3.29(B).

No.	Geomorphic Feature	Feature Type	References
1	Christmas Island	Seamount (13)	Rivereau (1965)
2	Christmas Island Rise	Plateau (15)	Exon et al. (1993)
3	Java Trench	Trench (7)	Borissova (1994)
4	Roo Rise	Plateau (15)	Exon et al. (1993)
5	Wharton Basin	Abyssal Plain (4)	Borissova (1994)

Table 3.16. Geomorphic make-up of the Cocos-Keeling and Christmas Island margins. Code refers to the geomorphic feature type listed in Table 2.2.

Code	Geomorphic Feature	Km²	Percent
Cocos-Keeling Islands			
1	Shelf	100	0.02
2	Slope	35,130	7.52
4	Abyssal plain	432,020	92.46
7	Trench/Trough	16,100	3.45
8	Basin	62,420	13.36
11	Knoll/Abyssal Hills/Hill/Peak	8,010	1.71
12	Ridge	18,310	3.92
13	Seamount/Guyot	14,800	3.17
20	Terrace	10,070	2.16
	Total	467,250	100
Christmas Island			
1	Shelf	60	0.02
2	Slope	17,090	5.21
4	Abyssal plain	297,960	90.80
6	Deep/Hole/Valley	6,380	1.94
7	Trench/Trough	10,890	3.32
10	Canyons	340	0.10
11	Knoll/Abyssal Hills/Hill/Peak	2,570	0.78
12	Ridge	190	0.06
13	Seamount/Guyot	26,610	8.11
14	Pinnacle	40	0.01
15	Plateau	49,950	15.22
16	Saddle	1,930	0.59
20	Terrace	15,840	4.83
	Total	328,150	100

3.9. Macquarie Island Margin

The seafloor within the limits of the Australian EEZ (plus extended continental shelf) surrounding Macquarie Island margin covers an area of 588,610 km². The geomorphology of this region is dominated by the Macquarie Ridge complex, which consists of a kinked-linear system of ridges and adjoining trenches. The complex consists of three segments: the McDougall, Macquarie, and Hjort provinces. Major geomorphic features that have been named or that have been reported in scientific investigations are listed in Table 3.17 and the geomorphic make-up of the region is shown in Figure 3.32 and the areas of features are listed in Table 3.18.

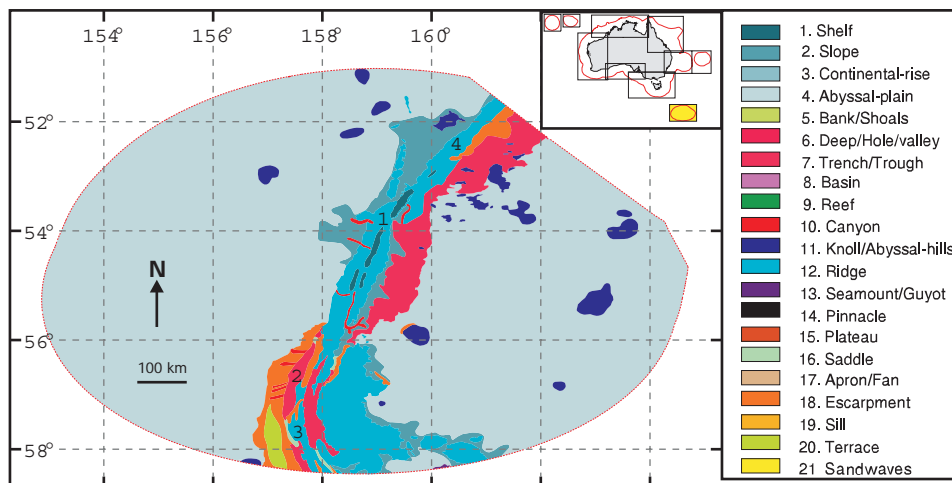


Figure 3.32. Geomorphic features of the Macquarie Island margin. See Table 3.17 for key to place names and Table 3.18 for surface areas of features.

The McDougall and Macquarie provinces are characterised by a western ridge flanked by an eastern trench. In contrast, the broader, arcuate Hjort province consists of a westerly trough flanked by an easterly ridge (Bernardel and Symonds, 2001). Shallow depths (<50 m) and flat-topped morphology suggest some 140 km of the Macquarie segment was previously above sea level (Massell et al., 2000). This forms a shelf geomorphic feature, which has been extrapolated to other similar shallow, flat-topped sections of the ridge that lie above 200 m water depth.

Ridge systems form an extensive kinked-linear to arcuate complex incorporating three main sections (from north to south): the McDougall segment, (~410 km long), the Macquarie segment (~350 km long) and the arcuate southern ridge system of the Hjort segment. A narrow, linear, NE-trending discontinuous ridge (maximum relief 1,500 m) associated with the Juru fracture zone meets the junction of the McDougall and Macquarie segments in the north. The uplifted ocean ridge is steep-sided with an uneven bisected surface. Relative relief of the valley bisecting the ridges is up to 700 m.

All crust in this region is believed to be oceanic in origin (Weissel *et al.*, 1977). Pervasive tectonic spreading fabric, typically trending orthogonally to fracture zones,

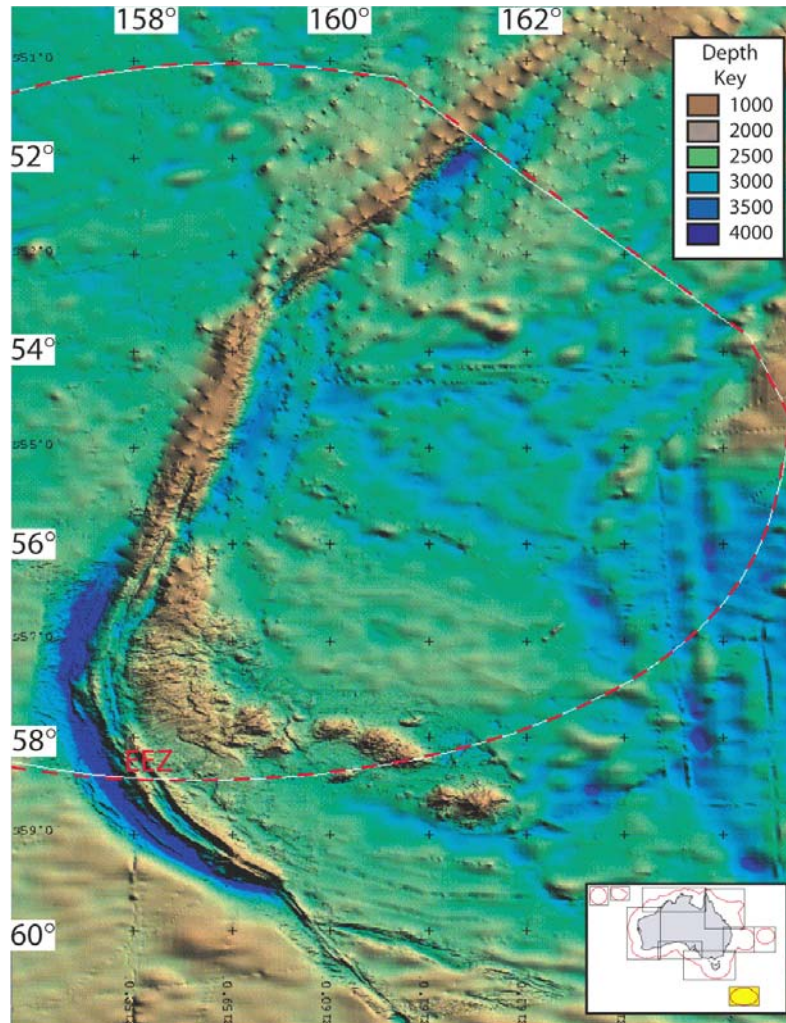


Figure 3.33. False-colour bathymetric image illuminated from the north of the Macquarie Island margin. The Hjort Trench, up to 6,000 m deep, extends across the southwestern part of the image.

is visible throughout the region (Massell *et al.*, 2000). Continuous lineaments up to 60 km long have been observed, but are more commonly in the order of 10–30 km (Massell *et al.*, 2000).

Seamounts and volcanic cones are well developed on the eastern side of the Macquarie Ridge, rising from abyssal depths to about 2,000 m. This chain of SE-trending seamounts forms the continuation of the Hjort Ridge and can be subdivided into a northern group of three and a southern group of two. There are fewer large seamounts to the west, although there are a number of low-relief (<1,000m elevation above the level of surrounding seabed) abyssal hills in this area. A large seamount located to the south of the Hjort Trench (60° S, 158° 30' E) rises to within 1,300 m of the sea surface (Fig. 3.33).

A major feature is the Hjort Trench, which is formed by a disconnected series of flat-bottomed trenches, lying in water depths of about 6,000 m, and joined by saddles ridge (Bernardel and Symonds, 2001). The Hjort Trench is arcuate in plan view, extending along a length of about 450 km in the southeastern part of the EEZ, between 56° S and 59° 30' S latitude. It is bordered by steep escarpments and ridges

on the eastern side that rise to within 2,000 m of the surface. To the west, the Trench is bordered by flat abyssal plain at around 3,500 m water depth (Fig. 3.33).

Separation between trenches and ridges was based on a combination of bathymetry and change in slope. Trench floors are included in the area delineated as trench. Ridges include tops and flanks, although steep flanks were classed as escarpments, where the isobaths are so closely spaced that they bunched together.

Table 3.17. List of previously described geomorphic features on the Macquarie Island margin. Features are numbered (left hand column) on Fig. 3.32.

No.	Geomorphic Feature	Feature Type	References
1	Macquarie Ridge	Ridge (13)	Massell et al. (2000)
2	Hjort Trench	Trench (7)	Bernardel & Symonds (2001)
3	Hjort Ridge	Ridge (13)	Massell et al. (2000)
4	MacDougall Ridge	Ridge (13)	Massell et al. (2000)

Table 3.18. Geomorphic make-up of the Macquarie Island margin. Code refers to the geomorphic feature type listed in Table 2.2.

Code	Geomorphic Feature	Km ²	Percent
1	Shelf	1,506	0.32
2	Slope	19,652	4.12
4	Abyssal plain	373,655	78.26
6	Deep/Hole/Valley	86	0.02
7	Trench/Trough	24,533	5.14
10	Canyons	1,422	0.30
11	Knoll/Abyssal Hills/Hill/Peak	10,214	2.14
12	Ridge	36,693	7.69
13	Seamount/Guyot	75	0.02
15	Plateau	780	0.13
16	Saddle	335	0.07
18	Escarpment	9,234	1.93
	Total	477,430	100

Chapter 4. DISCUSSION AND CONCLUSIONS

The geomorphology of the Australian continental margin has been described previously by several authors (e.g., Bird, 1979; Falvey and Mutter, 1981; Veevers, 1984). These studies noted the relatively large expanse of continental shelves in the north in comparison with the south, the close proximity of vast abyssal plains to the southern margin and the deep troughs off Queensland and in the Timor Sea. The papers cited in Chapter 3 regarding individual features such as submarine canyon systems, marginal plateaus, trenches and ridges, etc. (listed in tables at the end of each section) points to an extensive body of literature on the subject.

This study has collated such information and, for the first time, systematically measured the surface area and distribution of geomorphic features (i.e., those listed in Table 2.3) around the Australian continent within the limits of the EEZ (Fig. 4.1). The results provide the basis for a new assessment of the geomorphology of the Australian continental margin and its regional variation.

In the following discussion, we describe the distribution of geomorphic features on the Australian margin in order to characterise it in terms of differences and similarities in geomorphic composition. Our approach will be an attempt to quantify regional differences, based on surface areas and distribution patterns of different features.

4.1. Regional Variation in the Area of Continental Shelf, Slope, Rise and Abyssal Plain

The surface areas of continental shelf, slope, rise and abyssal plain vary regionally within the Australian EEZ (Fig. 4.1). On average, the shelf, slope, and abyssal plain each cover about a third of the total area, with the rise making up just over one percent of the area (Table 4.1). Two regions around the Australian continent, however, exhibit a significant departure from this average pattern. Firstly, the northern margin is dominated by continental shelf, which comprises >70% of the overall area. Secondly, the eastern margin is dominated by abyssal plain, which comprises >85% of that area. The other main difference between the margins of continental Australia is the absence of any significant continental rise in the southeast and southern margins (Fig. 4.1).

The four island margins included in this study (Macquarie Island, Norfolk Island, Cocos-Keeling Island, Christmas Island) differ from the continental regions in that their EEZ's are all dominated by abyssal plains (typically 80 to 90% of the area) and very small shelf areas (<1%). This makes them similar to the eastern margin in overall area distribution. The island regions are all about the same size in total area, about 500,000 km² (Fig. 4.1).

4.2. Regional Trends in the Distribution of Geomorphic Features

The surface areas of the continental shelf, slope, rise and abyssal plain occurring on the Australian margin (not including the Australian Antarctic Territory and Heard Island) add up to a total area of just under 8.6 million km² (Table 4.1). Superimposed upon this area are the 17 other categories of geomorphic feature that we have

recognised in this study. Their combined areas add up to less than 44% of the total surface area (Table 4.1), and so there are continental shelf, slope, rise and abyssal plain areas that do not have any other geomorphic feature present or could not be resolved at our mapping scale.

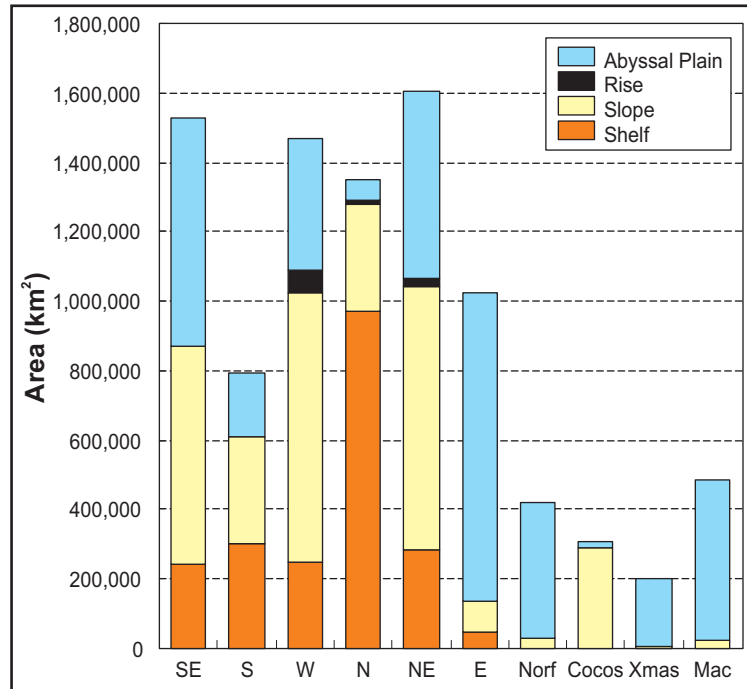


Figure 4.1. Areas (km²) of continental shelf, slope, rise and abyssal plain for different margins of Australia. SE = southeast margin, S = southern margin, W = western margin, N = northern margin, NE = northeast margin, E = eastern margin, Norf = Norfolk Island, Cocos = Cocos-Keeling Island, Xmas = Christmas Island, Mac = Macquarie Island.

It is important to recognise that, whereas the shelf, slope, rise or abyssal plain environments are mutually exclusive, other types of geomorphic feature are not. For example, submarine canyons can extend across shelf, slope, rise or abyssal plain environments. Reefs occur on the shelf but also upon marginal plateaus and as atolls on top of seamounts that extend from the abyssal plain.

The distribution of geomorphic features on a regional basis (Fig. 4.2) is not uniform and exhibits wide variation. The summation of the feature surface areas in each margin (Fig. 4.3) demonstrates that, after the shelf, slope and abyssal plain, *Plateaus* cover the largest area of seabed. Their total area is over 1.4 million km² and plateaus are found on all margins. They are most extensive on the northeast margin, where they cover an area of 466,140 km², followed by the eastern margin, where they cover an area of 428,030 km².

Basin.— Basins are the second most extensive feature (Table 4.1 and Fig. 4.2) covering a total area of 713,136 km². They are found most extensively on the northern (249,120 km²), the Norfolk Island (167,610 km²), and the northeast (144,240 km²) margins. Basins perched on continental shelves are most common on the northern margin, whereas basins on the Norfolk Island and northeast margins are mostly located in the deep ocean (>2,000 m water depth).

Table 4.1. Surface areas of geomorphic features around the Australian margin.

Code	Geomorphic Feature	Km ²	Percent
1	Shelf*	1,976,109	1.13
2	Slope*	3,817,165	23.04
3	Rise*	97,072	44.51
4	Abyssal plain*	2,685,235	31.31
	Total	8,575,581	100
1	Shelf*	1,242,740	14.49
2	Slope*	1,294,189	15.09
3	Rise*	97,072	1.18
4	Abyssal plain*	2,174,365	25.36
5	Bank/Shoal	51,207	0.60
6	Deep/Hole/Valley	165,227	1.93
7	Trench/Trough	171,608	2.00
8	Basin	713,136	8.32
9	Reef	47,980	0.56
10	Canyons	106,096	1.24
11	Knoll/Abyssal Hills/Hill/Peak	108,471	1.27
12	Ridge	109,459	1.28
13	Seamount/Guyot	92,722	1.08
14	Pinnacle	5,514	0.06
15	Plateau	1,408,628	16.43
16	Saddle	142,463	1.66
17	Apron/Fan	6,611	0.08
18	Escarpment	15,352	0.18
19	Sill	17,351	0.20
20	Terrace	577,741	6.74
21	Sandwave/Sand bank	23,822	0.28

* First row of continental shelf, slope, rise and abyssal plain areas are total, mutually exclusive areas. Second row continental shelf, slope, rise and abyssal plain areas are less the surface areas of superimposed features (e.g., shelf area is total minus superimposed basin area, sill area, terrace area, etc.).

Terrace.— Terraces are the third most extensive type of geomorphic feature, covering a total area of 577,741 km². Terraces are found on all margins except for the Norfolk Island margin, and are particularly widespread on the northern (218,540 km²), southern (147,150 km²) and western (91,610 km²) margins.

Trench/trough.— Trench/troughs cover a total area of 171,608 km² and are found on all margins except the southern and adjacent to the eastern margin. Their greatest extent is in the northeast and Macquarie Island margins, where they cover 86,890 km² and 24,533 km² respectively.

Deep/hole/valley.— Deep/hole/valleys cover a total area of 165,227 km² and are found extensively on the northern (78,730 km²), western (26,800 km²), and southeast (19,021 km²) margins.

Saddle.– Saddles cover a total area of 142,463 km² and are found on all except the southern and Cocos-Keeling Island margins. The margin having the largest spatial coverage is the northeast (48,000 km²), followed by the southeast (30,442 km²), margins.

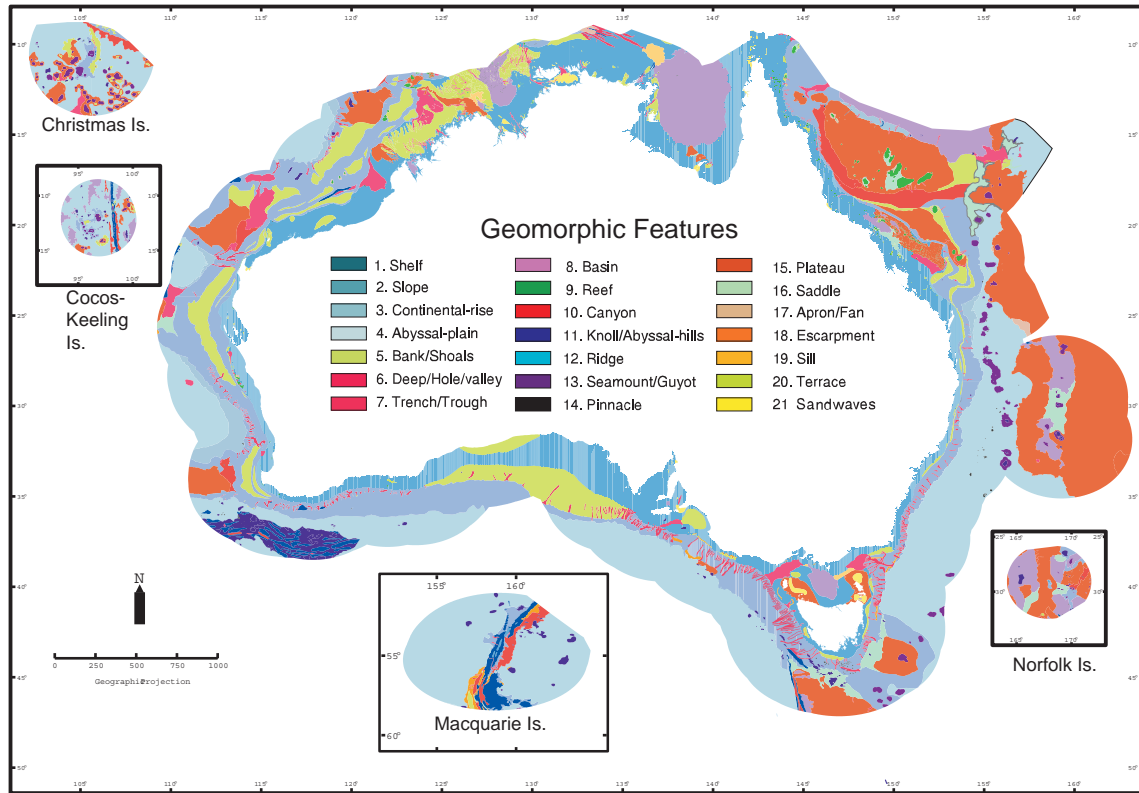


Figure 4.2. Distribution of geomorphic features around the Australian continental margin

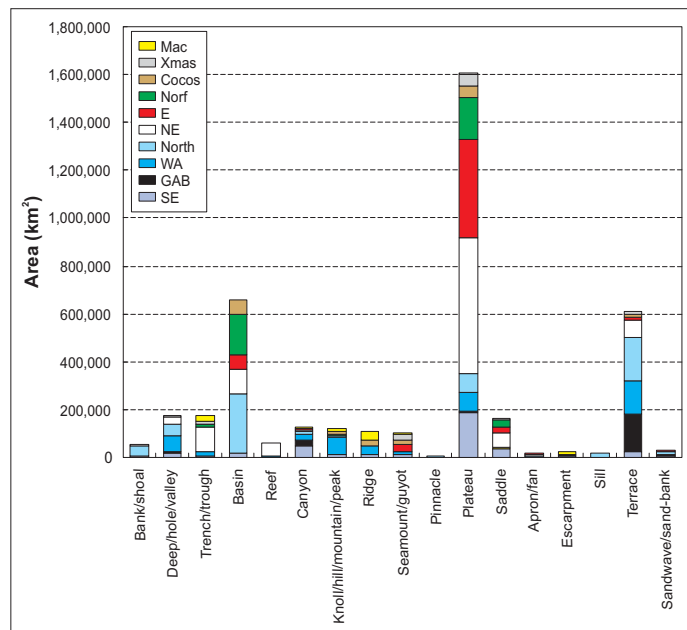


Figure 4.3. Histogram showing the cumulative surface area of different geomorphic features (excluding the shelf, slope, rise and abyssal plain) in relation to their geographic distribution.

Canyon.— Canyons cover a total area of 106,096 km² and are found on all margins, except for the Cocos-Keeling Islands margin. Canyons cover the largest area on the southeast margin (36,968 km²), followed by the western (22,630 km²), southern (16,890 km²) and northern (16,580 km²) margins. Canyons are less common on the northeast (6,180 km²), and eastern (4,460 km²) margins. There is not a simple relationship between canyon occurrence and onshore drainage and regional rainfall patterns (river discharge). The area of greatest sediment discharge to the coast (the northeast margin) has fewer canyons (in terms of surface area) than does the southern margin, which receives virtually zero fluvial sediment load. Another factor may be that the maps are biased by data richness, and hence canyons are only seen where there is sufficient bathymetric data. However, since the southern and eastern margins (for example) have comparable data densities, the difference in canyon development between these areas appears to be a real phenomenon.

Submarine canyons serve as major conduits of terrigenous (land-derived) sediment from the continents to the deep ocean basins, particularly during ice ages when sea level was lower and rivers flowed across the continental shelf to discharge their loads at or near to the shelf break. Most large canyons commence on the continental shelf, commonly at the mouths of large rivers, and are incised into the continental slope. Canyons that originate on the shelf at the mouths of rivers usually contain terrigenous sediments, whereas those which originate on the slope, and not in association with rivers, contain mainly biogenic-hemipelagic sediments. Canyon lengths typically range from 50 to 300 km, sloping seawards at between 58 to 8 m/km. Canyon axes are generally aligned normal to the coastline, although they may be deflected along-slope by structural features. Canyons may occur as single channels or involve complex tributary systems. At their seaward terminations, submarine canyons commonly empty onto the abyssal plain where sediments accumulate to form large, wedge-shaped, submarine fan deposits (Clarke et al., 1992). These observations suggest a classification scheme for submarine canyons, as follows:

- 1 Commences on shelf
 - 1A Associated with terrestrial river drainage system
 - 1Ax Single channel
 - 1Ay multiple (dendritic) channels
 - 1B Not associated with terrestrial river drainage system
 - 1Bx Single channel
 - 1By multiple (dendritic) channels
- 2 Commence on slope
 - 2A Associated with terrestrial river drainage system
 - 2Ax Single channel
 - 2Ay multiple (dendritic) channels
 - 2B Not associated with terrestrial river drainage system
 - 2Bx Single channel
 - 2By multiple (dendritic) channels

An assessment of canyons on the southern margin of Australia illustrates the spatial heterogeneity of canyon types in this region (Fig. 4.4). This information may

be useful for further ecological studies of submarine canyons, to test whether the different pathways of geological evolution of canyons gives rise to different assemblages of benthic communities.

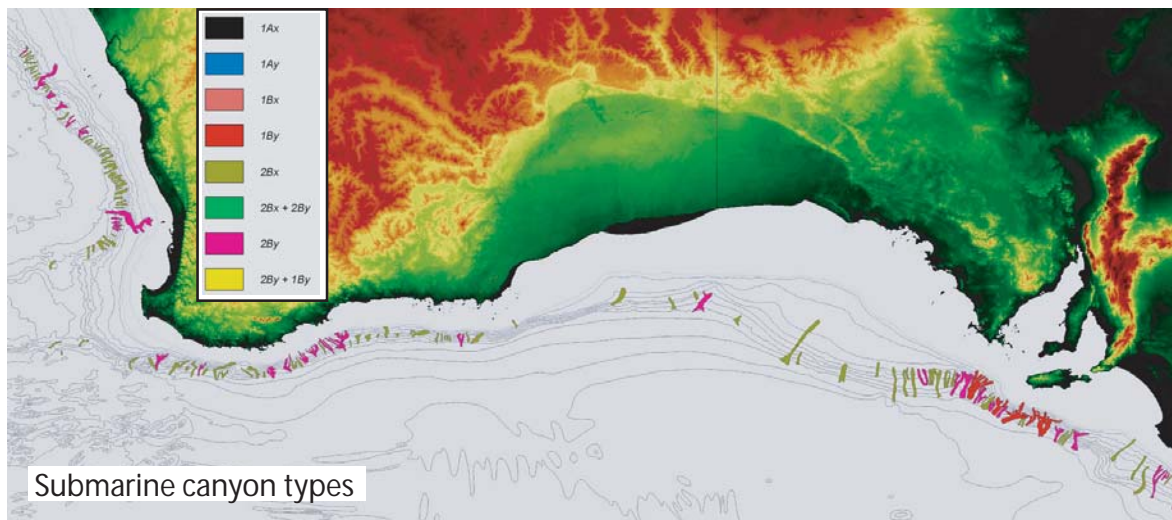


Figure 4.4. Map showing the distribution of different submarine canyon types along the southern margin.

Knoll/hill/peak/mountain.— Knoll/hill/peak/mountains cover a total area of 108,471 km² and are found on all margins, but are most extensive on the western margin (66,990 km²). They are common in all of the offshore island territories (e.g., Macquarie Island has 11,710 km², Cocos-Keeling has 8,010 km² and Norfolk Island has 6,800 km²), where volcanism, tectonism and crustal deformation processes are most active. Knoll/hill/peak/mountain features along with seamounts, guyots and pinnacles may have important biological associations, as they tend to be the preferred habitat for a range of filter-feeding species (often endemic species) and demersal fish. This is due to the affect the topography has on currents and nutrient upwelling processes.

Ridge.— Ridges cover a total area of 109,459 km² and are most extensive on the eastern margin offshore of New South Wales (i.e., the Lord Howe Rise), where they make up nearly 40% of the area.

Seamount/guyot.— Seamount/guyots cover a total area of 92,722 km² and are found most commonly on the eastern margin (28,720 km²), and in association with the offshore islands of Christmas Island and Cocos-Keeling Islands, which are themselves large seamounts that rise above sea level. Seamounts were not found on the southern, western, or northern margins.

Bank/shoal.— Bank/shoals cover a total area of 51,207 km² and occur mainly on then margin (43,885 km²). They were found on all margins apart from the offshore island territories.

Reef.— Reefs cover a total area of 47,980 km² and are found most extensively on the northeast (41,200 km²), northern (4,970 km²), and western (1,610 km²) margins. They do not occur on any of the other margins, although reefs are of local importance in most coastal environments. The total reef area in our estimate is close to that provided by the “Reefbase” online GIS (<http://reefgis.reefbase.org>), which estimates Australia’s coral reef area as 48,960 km². These values ignore submerged reefs,

which cannot be observed from satellite images, such as occur in the Great Barrier Reef (Harris and Davies (1989) and the Gulf of Carpentaria (Harris et al., 2004).

Sandwave/sand bank.– Sandwave/sand banks cover a total area of 23,822 km² and are found on most margins (Harris 1994), particularly the northern (13,470 km²) and southeast (7,840 km²) margins.

Sill.– Sills cover a total area of 17,351 km² and are found on the northern (14,581 km²) and northeast (2,970 km²) margins. These are at continental shelf depths and join shelf basins to the adjacent ocean.

Escarpment.– Escarpments cover a total area of 15,352 km² and are found most extensively on the Macquarie Island margin, where they cover 9,234 km².

Apron/fan.– Apron/fans cover a total area of 6,611 km² and are found around continental Australia on the western, northern, northeast, and eastern margins. The east margin has the largest area of Apron/fans covering 5,120 km².

Pinnacle.– Pinnacles cover a total area of 5,514 km², the smallest surface area of features mapped. They are found on all margins, except for the southern, Macquarie Island, and Cocos-Keeling Islands margins.

4.3. Conclusions

Using a new 250 m resolution bathymetric model, the surface area and distribution of geomorphic features located around the Australian continental margin have been mapped systematically for the first time. This work is supported by the numerous case-studies of geomorphic features that have been published in the literature. The results provide the basis for a new assessment of the geomorphology of the Australian continental margin and its regional variation. The information allows for the characterisation of different regions around the Australian EEZ in terms the types and surface areas of the geomorphic features which occur there. Furthermore, this information provides the basis for deriving a new regionalisation of the EEZ.

A geomorphic-based regionalisation of the seafloor within Australia's EEZ will provide a useful starting point for the derivation of a bioregionalisation which will summarise multiple-layers of environmental data (e.g., Kostleyev et al., 2000). For example, geomorphology was a key input parameter for devising the bioregionalisation for the southeast region of Australia (Butler et al., 2002) and for later selecting boundaries of candidate marine protected areas (MPAs).

As more swath bathymetry data become available, there is no doubt that new features will be discovered and the true extent and shape of known features will need to be revised. Hence, the maps of geomorphic features and their areas presented here will need to be regularly updated.

The definition of terms is also of key importance. Future work may inform us that the categories of features mapped in this study should be merged or subdivided. The largest categories in terms of percentage of surface area (abyssal plains, plateaus, basins and terraces) might be subdivided on the basis of roughness or slope. In particular, the application of the geomorphic feature maps produced here to predict the occurrence and distribution of specific biological communities or general associations may require the merging or subdivision of geomorphic classes. For example, it is not immediately obvious what ecological distinction there is between a

“saddle” and a “slope” in the context of the geomorphology of immediately surrounding seafloor. The relationship between benthic assemblages and geomorphic features is generally poorly understood, but it is especially so in deep oceanic (slope and abyssal) realms.

The results presented here provide a starting point for future research into these and other research fields for Australia. For the first time, it is possible for managers to discuss quantitatively the conservation values of specific habitats in terms of their overall areal extent or in terms of their relative percentage coverage of the EEZ. We do not suggest any relationship between the relative area of a class of geomorphic feature and its conservation value, but we consider it to be a positive (and significant) step forward that the area and distribution of features can now at least be discussed quantitatively within the spatial framework that our geomorphic feature maps provide.

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Appendix A: Data digitised from charts

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Fair sheets digitised by Australian Hydrographic Service						4,380,609		
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163.3343	164.9994	-11.0718	-9.1815	644	5253	2,160	D	01830_2
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167.3340	168.4178	-17.9987	-16.1904	60	4548	2,458	D	01847_2
165.9430	167.3327	-16.7207	-15.0771	1	5435	1,557	D	01848_2
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128.1811	128.2503	-14.7273	-14.6247	-3	39	4,233	D	10461
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128.0000	128.4966	-13.8332	-13.5001	56	80	8,438	D	11631
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128.4997	128.7503	-14.7504	-14.4999	-1	30	9,652	D	11634
128.7491	129.0006	-14.2503	-14.0002	16	78	15,342	D	11635
128.7489	129.0005	-14.5036	-14.2503	9	46	10,069	D	11636
128.4997	128.7505	-14.5003	-14.2497	13	34	10,847	D	11637
128.4996	128.7506	-14.2501	-14.0003	22	47	2,511	D	11638
128.4988	129.0009	-13.8334	-13.5006	39	74	7,481	D	11639
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129.0000	129.2504	-14.4160	-14.2505	14	77	6,074	D	11641
128.9999	129.2502	-14.2505	-14.0002	18	88	17,743	D	11642
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114.7499	114.9171	-30.2500	-30.0000	33	62	3,505	D	11670
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114.4996	115.0327	-30.2501	-29.9889	38	671	11,654	D	11673
114.7500	114.9745	-29.7504	-29.5376	0	45	13,056	D	11674
114.7496	114.9798	-30.0000	-29.7494	0	54	14,566	D	11675
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114.4999	114.7501	-29.7501	-29.6536	35	60	3,639	D	11677
141.7499	142.0002	-11.7503	-11.4998	-1	21	19,305	D	11678
141.7501	142.0004	-11.9999	-11.7498	-2	22	3,599	D	11679
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141.6259	141.7503	-11.5001	-11.2501	15	23	4,273	D	11684
141.6332	141.7504	-11.2503	-10.9999	12	178	3,291	D	11685
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141.8658	141.8750	-10.8751	-10.8300	4	13	550	D	11687
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141.8750	142.0001	-10.9676	-10.8750	0	17	12,987	D	11689
142.0000	142.0724	-11.7350	-11.5000	-2	13	2,905	D	11690
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161.1997	161.6347	-9.5743	-8.9894	9	2188	536	D	12375
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121.9957	122.4532	-35.0018	-34.5007	85	3923	1,552	D	12419
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113.9998	114.2385	-21.8776	-21.7497	0	102	5,137	D	12423
114.2499	114.3711	-21.8792	-21.7497	4	27	4,625	D	12424
114.0000	114.2503	-21.7500	-21.4997	14	2243	12,585	D	12425
121.9983	122.2505	-34.7497	-34.5002	85	2129	6,832	D	12428
122.2503	122.4995	-34.5001	-34.3304	20	96	3,240	D	12429
121.9996	122.2504	-34.5001	-34.2517	0	98	3,817	D	12430

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122.4998	122.6368	-34.7497	-34.4999	76	1895	4,033	D	12431
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150.2500	150.3055	-22.1270	-22.0182	12	29	941	D	12436
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149.6249	149.6563	-21.1642	-21.1251	28	31	818	D	12445
149.5000	149.6249	-21.1251	-21.0285	23	41	13,023	D	12446
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113.7494	113.8267	-23.0003	-22.7592	0	41	3,803	D	12461
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112.6588	112.9963	-24.9863	-24.5009	66	110	247	D	12466
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113.1250	113.2347	-25.5002	-25.3747	6	20	4,439	D	13483_3
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112.9994	113.3904	-24.9960	-24.4998	3	74	6,428	D	13486_3

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113.3335	113.4583	-24.7105	-24.5000	0	49	3,647	D	13487_3
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122.5013	122.7502	-34.4999	-34.2503	72	86	5,072	D	13547
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152.2230	152.3029	-19.3020	-19.2169	17	100	683	D	14151
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125.7500	125.8764	-14.1249	-14.0469	-6	336	2,335	D	14175
122.9963	123.5006	-12.1673	-11.8745	14	288	8,636	D	14176
123.4997	124.1673	-12.0001	-11.8747	94	262	7,508	D	14177
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136.4652	136.4997	-11.5036	-11.4564	-1	66	856	D	15974_2
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146.7505	147.0000	-39.0002	-38.9479	49	57	192	D	16031_3
146.7487	147.0017	-39.2505	-38.9994	11	68	1,908	D	16032_3
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114.8905	115.0005	-21.3337	-21.2005	7	64	1,922	D	16049_3
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141.3720	141.4541	-10.6769	-10.6764	15	20	43	D	17645
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129.2528	129.5048	-10.8495	-10.5246	22	170	4,966	D	22617
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136.3589	136.4903	-13.7117	-13.6102	0	40	2,631	D	22696

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136.5019	136.5248	-13.8275	-13.7879	0	5	372	D	22697
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134.6524	134.9259	-11.4069	-11.0453	11	55	4,372	D	24916
134.7547	134.9259	-11.7227	-11.3981	0	41	3,600	D	24917
134.9179	135.1916	-11.0545	-10.7939	44	60	5,775	D	24918
134.9176	135.1923	-11.4073	-11.0453	37	56	14,887	D	24919
134.9177	135.1925	-11.7568	-11.3980	-2	44	11,560	D	24920
135.1842	135.3514	-11.0544	-10.7826	40	60	2,915	D	24921
135.1836	135.4341	-11.4072	-11.0454	34	54	6,912	D	24922
135.1836	135.4417	-11.7555	-11.3980	-2	43	6,968	D	24923
142.3250	142.4245	-10.7333	-10.6209	2	23	4,410	D	24924
142.2122	142.3251	-10.7331	-10.6097	2	24	1,042	D	24925
142.2003	142.3251	-10.8577	-10.7333	2	19	5,326	D	24926
142.3250	142.3842	-10.8434	-10.7333	0	17	1,950	D	24927
137.3443	140.8058	-11.8163	-10.3137	39	62	209	D	24930
140.9382	141.4356	-10.6918	-10.1578	15	42	1,177	D	24931
123.5339	123.5505	-12.5347	-12.5230	-9	34	5,967	D	24932
123.5504	123.5670	-12.5347	-12.5227	-15	35	5,761	D	24933
123.5670	123.5830	-12.5347	-12.5233	-2	41	5,217	D	24934
123.5504	123.5670	-12.5347	-12.5227	-16	40	6,548	D	24935
122.9254	122.9356	-12.2527	-12.2382	-19	39	1,620	D	24936
129.2931	129.3050	-12.1839	-12.1486	31	116	87	D	24940
123.1517	123.1609	-12.2545	-12.2364	-5	18	4,360	D	24943
135.7168	137.9385	-15.5161	-13.5818	4	56	686	D	24947
135.7142	137.8782	-15.5224	-13.7993	3	55	813	D	24948
135.6455	137.9963	-15.7108	-13.9108	5	52	497	D	24949
145.4583	145.6210	-16.2540	-16.0085	6	39	5,162	D	24950
145.3765	145.5789	-16.0137	-15.7786	-2	37	3,912	D	24951
145.3168	145.4291	-15.7176	-15.4933	-2	30	2,406	D	24952
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152.1561	152.1631	-4.2972	-4.2798	0	64	61	D	24956
152.1632	152.2173	-4.3097	-4.2594	0	323	2,149	D	24957
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137.9718	141.2923	-11.7181	-11.6136	297	2781	74	D	24965
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136.7464	136.9405	-14.9155	-14.5965	3	38	4,751	D	24967
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136.2609	136.4246	-14.9533	-14.5972	17	27	6,339	D	24972
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136.5150	136.6237	-15.3183	-15.1949	13	190	2,145	D	24975
136.5150	136.5879	-15.4294	-15.3149	9	18	2,109	D	24976
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148.9087	148.9663	-20.3272	-20.2807	-3	50	3,979	D	24981
148.9667	149.0056	-20.3812	-20.3272	-2	43	2,846	D	24982
148.9748	149.1222	-20.3753	-20.2195	1	132	2,616	D	24984
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149.1221	149.2205	-20.3218	-20.1562	6	64	4,254	D	24986
130.4029	130.4981	-12.5419	-12.4166	-3	356	1,352	D	24987
130.8590	130.9887	-12.3320	-12.1790	-2	16	1,512	D	24988
139.9239	140.2765	-16.6319	-16.1595	19	38	3,155	D	24989
140.1231	140.4080	-16.9857	-16.6317	17	31	1,344	D	24990
139.7695	139.9167	-16.6947	-16.5522	-4	30	1,326	D	24991
140.0840	140.3773	-15.5468	-15.2392	17	48	298	D	24992
130.5640	130.6849	-11.8445	-11.7309	-5	18	2,532	D	24993
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153.2577	153.3396	-24.4773	-24.3811	45	200	154	D	24998
153.6205	153.6548	-27.0022	-26.9703	156	189	94	D	24999
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150.3219	150.3871	-22.3311	-22.2251	4	43	1,357	D	25010
142.3337	142.4818	-9.8338	-9.7679	-2	13	1,235	D	25014
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142.8321	142.9615	-10.0217	-9.9589	-10	24	826	D	25019
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128.4970	128.6730	-12.1957	-12.0481	66	129	2,259	D	25023
143.5170	143.7833	-9.5972	-9.3886	0	100	1,744	D	25024
143.7834	144.0667	-9.4998	-9.3171	-1	139	3,710	D	25025
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129.1871	129.3391	-12.2762	-12.1681	22	67	2,790	D	25028
129.1802	129.3663	-12.3684	-12.2598	19	68	2,648	D	25029
129.3362	129.4018	-12.1464	-12.0665	19	69	808	D	25030

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150.3381	150.4387	-9.6261	-9.5162	167	1076	3,147	D	25638
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150.3645	150.5112	-9.3990	-9.2993	0	116	5,227	D	25640
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155.8298	155.8833	-17.4412	-17.3701	-1	866	3,817	D	25644
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129.0298	129.1065	-9.8131	-9.6966	8	48	254	D	25646
129.2761	129.3222	-9.8948	-9.8674	8	47	162	D	25648
129.4103	129.4207	-9.8918	-9.8780	14	45	32	D	25649
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137.1774	137.2735	-34.6977	-34.5871	8	28	3,048	D	25652
137.2644	137.3320	-34.5943	-34.5085	5	19	1,946	D	25653
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128.1316	128.1570	-14.6367	-14.6113	-2	23	913	D	25658
142.8643	142.9482	-10.2383	-10.1872	1	25	2,538	D	25659
142.9408	143.0113	-10.2379	-10.1838	16	25	2,320	D	25660
142.8361	142.9494	-10.4254	-10.3133	2	25	7,638	D	25661
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143.0045	143.0378	-10.1546	-10.0903	10	27	934	D	25663
142.4413	142.4855	-10.2923	-10.2490	4	16	242	D	25664
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143.5817	143.7328	-10.0310	-9.9959	46	67	488	D	25668
143.7282	143.8670	-10.0169	-9.9046	0	6363	2,562	D	25669
143.8248	143.9634	-9.9609	-9.8390	0	115	3,538	D	25670
143.9591	144.0986	-9.9043	-9.8121	0	109	3,956	D	25671
144.0661	144.2082	-9.9155	-9.7934	0	262	4,047	D	25672
144.1104	144.2337	-9.7996	-9.6767	4	114	4,576	D	25673
144.1670	144.3155	-9.7021	-9.5881	2	145	4,119	D	25674
129.3302	129.3547	-12.1739	-12.1499	24	64	193	D	25675
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129.8594	129.9291	-12.1478	-12.0246	13	56	377	D	25683
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129.9931	130.2507	-12.5191	-12.3398	14	38	4,676	D	25693
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125.8586	125.9687	-10.9686	-10.8460	18	42	251	D	25701
125.6971	125.8580	-10.8481	-10.6913	13	49	908	D	25702
125.6981	125.8575	-10.9730	-10.8469	18	47	705	D	25703
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125.5038	125.5115	-11.1403	-11.1151	21	34	45	D	25706
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124.6231	124.6697	-11.3754	-11.2969	20	50	663	D	25715
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124.5120	124.5613	-11.7145	-11.5796	18	47	126	D	25717
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155.3084	155.5683	-22.2863	-22.1298	0	2932	831	D	25728
113.1880	113.1972	-25.3610	-25.3472	9	18	949	D	25729
113.1831	113.1939	-25.4333	-25.4181	0	16	1,203	D	25730
152.6690	152.9428	-18.5911	-18.1214	2091	2379	925	D	25731

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158.5382	159.1363	-9.3013	-8.7481	53	1788	2,204	D	25732
159.0166	159.1163	-9.2087	-9.0602	3	590	1,475	D	25733
145.4659	159.6279	-14.3921	-10.5311	51	4545	326	D	25734
160.1283	161.0200	-10.2954	-9.3609	34	5298	144	D	25735
159.0187	159.9229	-9.3794	-8.8583	175	1588	62	D	25736
159.6139	159.6634	-10.5614	-10.4522	47	5154	1,078	D	25737
129.8514	129.9368	-12.1308	-12.0177	14	55	1,982	D	25738
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149.4921	149.6913	-21.3467	-21.2736	1	28	7,837	D	25741
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149.7470	149.8624	-21.4635	-21.3212	4	30	1,477	D	25743
141.4858	141.4961	-10.2578	-10.2247	0	17	431	D	25744
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151.4985	152.1230	-16.7528	-16.2808	783	1028	1,023	D	25747
151.9921	152.4468	-17.2014	-16.7496	786	1349	926	D	25748
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150.8701	150.9005	-10.2392	-10.2091	0	378	5,008	D	26428
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151.0666	151.1679	-10.4824	-10.3334	11	362	3,813	D	26430
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119.5737	120.1133	-35.4644	-34.8901	925	4941	918	D	26437
146.2655	150.4206	-18.1827	-15.2615	28	1663	326	D	26439
143.9135	148.5691	-13.4877	-9.1900	42	4372	162	D	26440
148.5879	152.8626	-18.4957	-13.5043	799	4547	166	D	26441
152.8693	154.0015	-23.0043	-18.5155	365	2315	122	D	26442
149.6472	149.9856	-16.5384	-16.2912	11	570	1,404	D	26443
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147.0000	148.4998	-19.0096	-17.9999	3	1030	12,452	D	se5511_d
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150.0010	151.4990	-22.9976	-22.0000	3	74	2,282	D	sf5609_7_d
151.5043	152.0012	-22.9967	-22.5730	52	98	138	D	sf5610_d
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124.4850	125.9974	-33.9999	-33.0003	37	380	8,026	D	si5108_d
123.3268	124.5040	-34.5920	-33.9760	3	346	1,301	D	si5111_d
124.4756	125.1669	-34.2387	-33.9786	71	338	646	D	si5112_d
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145.5004	146.9998	-38.9999	-38.5825	4	77	2,131	D	sj5510_d
147.0000	148.4995	-39.0000	-38.0000	9	820	8,246	D	sj5511_d
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143.5113	146.2140	-39.9995	-38.9438	25	87	7,194	D	sj5513_d
146.9801	148.4996	-39.9993	-38.9861	2	127	7,100	D	sj5515_d
148.4979	148.8689	-39.9999	-39.0043	32	560	2,164	D	sj5516_d
143.2200	144.1080	-41.0005	-39.9950	31	623	3,185	D	sk5404_d
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143.9018	145.1955	-42.0027	-40.9785	5	607	3,703	D	sk5505_d
144.6596	145.7130	-43.2590	-41.8700	2	578	2,914	D	sk5509_d
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147.0151	148.2789	-44.1490	-42.9613	2	1016	2,749	D	sk5515_d

Appendix B. Laser Airborne Depth Sounder (LADS) and other digital data sets received from Australian Hydrographic Service

Long. E (dec. deg.)	Long. W (dec. deg.)	Lat. S (dec. deg.)	Lat. N (dec. deg.)	Min depth (m)	Max depth (m)	No. of Points	Survey Name
143.6394	148.4504	-19.4713	-12.4539	-51	4	2,683,677	HI185.XYZ
143.6395	152.2568	-23.7062	-11.3520	-51	4	334,553	HI193.XYZ
151.5459	152.3472	-23.8901	-22.9552	-52	4	1,601,060	HI199.XYZ
141.5830	145.3210	-14.6089	-10.0000	-48	4	306,778	HI206.XYZ
143.4557	145.9213	-16.4939	-11.2330	-50	5	2,354,048	HI220.XYZ
143.5495	145.7391	-15.0296	-10.3631	-51	5	1,461,784	HI221.XYZ
145.5451	145.8202	-15.7528	-15.1332	-50	4	606,984	HI241.XYZ
152.1346	152.4132	-19.3056	-18.9251	-51	4	321,408	HI245.XYZ
142.5693	144.2526	-9.8787	-9.6073	-77	0	67,410	HI255.XYZ
141.1668	142.1382	-11.6830	-10.4822	-46	4	111,763	HI257.XYZ
143.0323	144.7105	-10.3987	-10.0000	-50	6	372,152	HI258.XYZ
145.3292	145.3914	-14.9270	-14.9243	-30	-3	78,599	HI258B.XYZ
153.4508	153.6179	-25.1532	-24.8615	-61	-21	2,724	HI259B.XYZ
150.4930	150.5809	-22.3885	-22.2938	-38	0	8,438	HI261_A.XYZ
150.1724	150.4107	-22.2598	-22.0918	-46	-4	6,909	HI261_B2.XYZ
150.3187	150.3754	-22.3169	-22.2717	-23	-2	3,566	HI261_E.XYZ
145.3893	145.7426	-15.1743	-14.4421	-51	5	1,452,619	HI263.XYZ
149.6820	149.8473	-10.7350	-10.4559	-1380	-3	25,757	HI268.XYZ
148.8968	149.2290	-20.6933	-20.2161	-49	0	14,160	HI270.XYZ
149.9731	149.9909	-20.3156	-20.2868	-52	1	1,842	HI270A.XYZ
146.0197	146.0735	-16.9683	-16.9176	-40	-26	303,225	HI273.XYZ
143.6202	143.9501	-13.5038	-13.2048	-51	0	403,869	HI274.XYZ
142.6803	142.7147	-10.7636	-10.7430	-24	-10	2,348	HI274A.XYZ
144.4122	145.4265	-14.6089	-13.9052	-50	5	2,027,565	HI275.XYZ
147.9722	147.9852	-19.0194	-18.9953	-58	-53	11,708	HI276A.XYZ
142.9797	143.1533	-11.7422	-11.2012	-34	-3	1,267	HI279A.XYZ
151.2791	151.5100	-23.7280	-23.4947	-31	-8	33,285	HI282.XYZ
149.4724	149.5330	-20.1484	-20.1262	-67	-8	19,460	HI282.XYZ
143.4557	145.3135	-14.8425	-10.0609	-50	6	1,675,160	HI285.XYZ
142.3298	143.9791	-11.5909	-10.5533	-88	0	175,770	HI286.XYZ
142.3298	142.7357	-10.7873	-10.5533	-29	0	34,875	HI286A.XYZ
142.3305	142.7356	-10.7875	-10.5533	-30	0	52,688	HI286B.XYZ
143.7248	143.9791	-11.5909	-11.0267	-88	0	10,198	HI286C.XYZ
143.7250	143.9733	-11.5909	-11.0267	-87	-5	76,864	HI286.XYZ
142.8723	142.8758	-11.2249	-11.2226	-20	-12	1,145	HI286F.XYZ
146.3754	149.1312	-20.5976	-17.2324	-58	-12	30,653	HI288.XYZ
146.3754	146.3967	-17.2436	-17.2324	-49	-16	2,578	HI288area1.XYZ
148.8025	148.8993	-20.1527	-20.0262	-47	-13	17,927	HI288area2.XYZ

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149.0640	149.0853	-20.5976	-20.5874	-26	-12	6,935	HI288area3.XYZ
149.0962	149.1312	-19.6926	-19.6454	-58	-52	3,213	HI288area4.XYZ
148.3885	149.8259	-10.7531	-10.2339	-1508	0	308,075	HI289.XYZ
142.3716	143.0551	-10.0231	-9.6222	-29	0	457,477	HI293.XYZ
142.4236	142.5188	-10.5080	-10.4410	-19	-7	10,737	HI293A.XYZ
142.2542	142.2653	-10.5122	-10.5022	-16	-11	910	HI293pullar_rock.XYZ
145.6676	145.9832	-16.8931	-16.7101	-45	-2	282,936	HI294.XYZ
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145.4562	145.4827	-16.4889	-16.4627	-10	-2	14,209	HI294C.XYZ
148.8610	148.8977	-20.1656	-20.0211	-49	-9	33,836	HI294.XYZ
144.4239	144.9193	-14.4674	-14.0805	-20	-14	701	HI296C.XYZ
148.6666	148.7554	-20.2516	-20.1719	-35	-3	5,555	HI298.XYZ
148.8593	148.8768	-20.1086	-20.0638	-38	-14	702	HI298B.XYZ
145.7699	145.8510	-16.9663	-16.8470	-11	2	114,490	HI299.XYZ
145.7921	145.7982	-16.9663	-16.9569	-11	1	3,996	HI299A.XYZ
145.7797	145.7803	-16.9305	-16.9295	-10	-1	615	HI299B.XYZ
145.7781	145.7794	-16.9375	-16.9356	-5	2	19,419	HI299.XYZ
145.7699	145.7999	-16.9216	-16.8839	-10	1	9,924	HI299E.XYZ
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149.0353	149.0717	-20.5288	-20.5186	-30	0	664	HI302W.XYZ
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151.6349	151.6480	-23.8913	-23.8844	-27	-21	2,224	HI302Z.XYZ
141.2272	141.4773	-10.5297	-10.4983	-21	-1	194,117	HI305A.XYZ
141.3197	141.6106	-10.4649	-10.2331	-19	-2	97,538	HI305C.XYZ
145.4382	145.4963	-14.6215	-14.5410	-35	-4	35,220	HI306.XYZ
146.1198	146.1559	-17.9557	-17.9195	-16	0	8,415	HI316A.XYZ
146.1245	146.1395	-17.6125	-17.5841	-13	-3	743	HI316AT.XYZ
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145.7781	145.7796	-16.9375	-16.9356	-8	0	565	HI318E.XYZ
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