



## Breeding better oysters

Family breeding technology is the future of the Sydney Rock Oyster breeding program. Family breeding uses genetic analyses to quantify the percentage gains in each generation of marketable traits. Development of founder families and performance evaluation trials are underway. SOCo work with NSW DPI Fisheries and CSIRO geneticists to produce oysters with better condition, disease resistance, shell shape and growth. The 25 year old program was started, and continues to develop by NSW DPI.



## Hatcheries

Southern Cross Shellfish 0488 224 927, Camden Haven Oyster Supply 0427 334 649, Victorian Shellfish Hatchery 0412 522 544 and AquaFarms QLD [fraserisland-clams@gmail.com](mailto:fraserisland-clams@gmail.com). Contact hatcheries to order spat, or enquire with SOCo.



## Research & News

The latest on everything 'oyster' can be found on the SOCo website R&D and Latest News pages including assessing fast growth and disease resistance, oyster protein responses to climate change, growing beautiful shaped oysters, the legacy of the Seafood CRC, prizes in oyster research and more.

## \$1000 spat rebates

Rebates available to cover part of the SOCo levy for purchases of selected lines of Sydney Rock Oyster spat. This is a NSW Government funded initiative. It takes a few minutes to claim, first in first served. Contact SOCo.

## SOAP

The Sustainable Oyster Assessment Program, run by South East LLS spans 7 NSW estuaries. After 14 months results show generally faster growth and lower mortality among hatchery Sydney Rocks than wilds, while condition is variable. Triploid Pacifics grew fastest, monitored for 10 months. Contact Sophie Hall-Aspland 0488 223 409. [www.southcoastoysterindustry.com.au](http://www.southcoastoysterindustry.com.au) e: [soap.coordinator@gmail.com](mailto:soap.coordinator@gmail.com)

## Native Angasi oysters

Half a million native oyster spat were sold by SOCo to industry the past year. Contact SOCo to enquire about native oyster spat.



## NSW Oyster Industry Strategy 2015

Launched in June, the Strategy sets a trajectory for growth in the NSW oyster industry. Key opportunities are the Sydney Rock Oyster breeding program and hatchery supply. SOCo is part of the technical Implementation Committee.

## Eureka Prize 2015

Congratulations Prof. David Raftos, Macquarie University winner Australian Museum Eureka Prize 2015 for his work on breeding oysters for disease resistance and environmental tolerance.

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