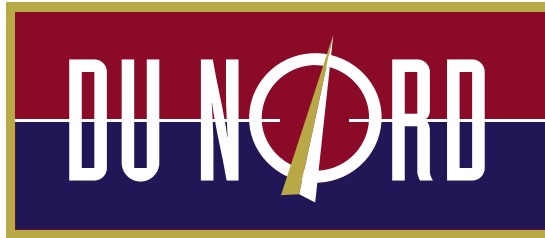


Razor clams
Navajas
Cannolicchi
Couteaux
Ensis directus

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The 13 species within the genus *Ensis* occur along Atlantic coastlines and are often called razor clams, razor fish or Jackknife clams.

Ensis species in Dutch waters are usually found in subtidal waters down to and probably below 20 meters deep. They occur in open sea areas with strong water movements buried in clean sandy sediments. *Ensis* have a strong muscular foot with which they dig deep burrows.

Three *Ensis* species are native to the Dutch coastal zone but none have ever been recorded as abundant. It was not until the development of the non-native *Ensis leei* (formerly *Ensis directus*) from the western Atlantic that razor clams became abundant in Dutch waters. The regulated Dutch *Ensis* fishery started in 2005 and is now one of the most productive Dutch bivalve fisheries. The Dutch *Ensis* fishery is the first MSC certified fishery for an introduced species.

The Dutch *Ensis* fishery takes place in the Dutch coastal zone, which is the coastal area shallower than 20 m below NAP within the Dutch waters (12 mile zone).

Lenger Seafoods fishes razor clams with its own vessel and catches are landed daily for immediate processing in the Dutch Lenger Seafoods plants in Harlingen and Yerseke. Various presentations are available:



Razor Clams, Navajas, Cannolicchi, Couteaux

Ensis directus

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Presentation	Packaging format
Fresh Alive	Net, Tray
IQF	Bulk, Poly Bag, Tray
Frozen	Vacuum Bag
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