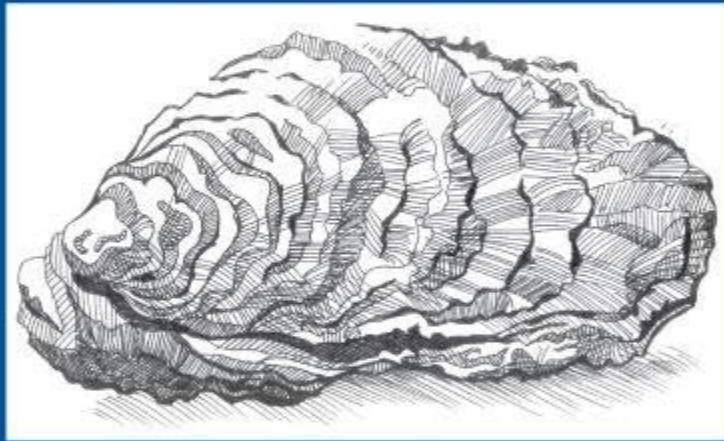


VIRGINIA AQUACULTURE



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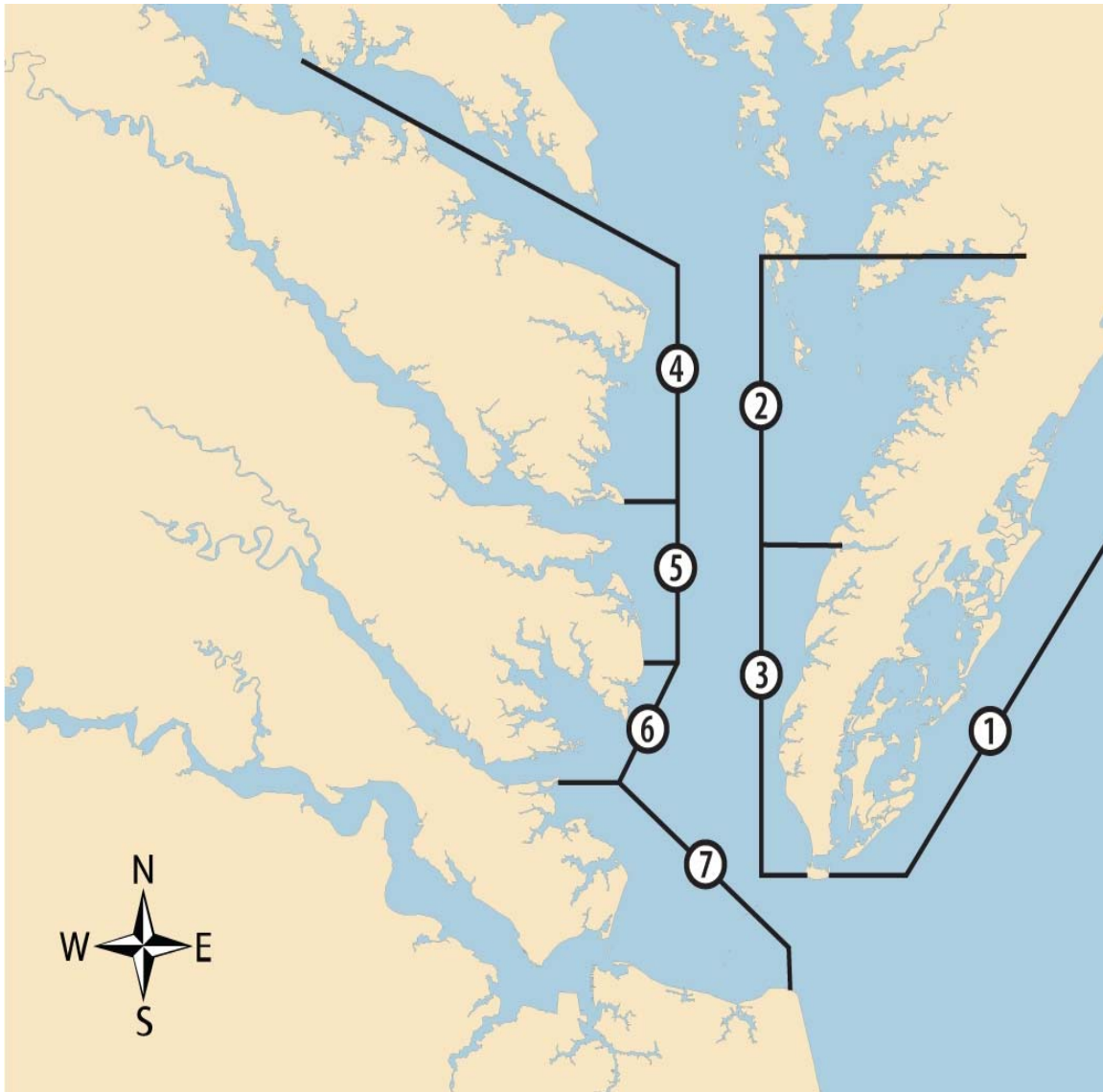


Aquaculture Oysters: *Crassostrea virginica*



Market forms:	Live in shell, fresh shucked (in pints, quarts or gallons), frozen (breaded and unbreaded) and frozen half shell
Marketing:	History has proven that the salinity levels of Virginia waters (the mixture of fresh water from the Appalachian Mountain Range, mixing with the Atlantic Ocean) makes the taste of Virginia oysters superior to other states. Virginia's location also gives our oysters moderate winters and cool summers, which helps Virginia oysters and extends their growing season.
Size:	Market size is approximately 3 inches for oysters in the shell. Shucked oysters are designated according to size ranging from the largest "counts" to smallest "standards." small - over 500 meats/gallon extra select - 160 to 210 meats/gallon standard - 301 to 500 meats/gallon count - under 160 meats/gallon select - 211 to 300 meats/gallon
Taste/texture:	Plump, delicate, tender-from a mild, nutty flavor to a slightly salty and briny flavor.
Seasonality:	Available year round.
Nutritional Value:	69 Calories (100 grams, 3.5 oz.) 7.1% Protein, 2.5% Fat, .44% Omega-3
Sustainability:	The aquaculture oysters are being raised in cages or on private reefs. They are harvested from healthy populations in an environmentally friendly way and are available year around to keep up with consumer demand.
Substitutability:	Nothing else tastes quite like <i>Crassostrea virginica</i> , so named because biologists first identified it on Virginia's shores. In fact, in blind taste comparisons with its Pacific cousin, the Eastern oyster was voted best tasting by 85% of those polled.
Habitat:	Oysters grow best in estuarine waters of moderate temperature and salinity with abundant plankton for food. This description best fits the Chesapeake Bay and its major tributaries which are responsible for high yields of this shellfish.
Harvesting:	The harvesting of aquaculture grown oysters are from private grounds either from cages or private reefs. This provides a ready supply for market.

Regional Zones for Virginia Aquaculture Oyster Growers



All areas include rivers and creeks.

- 1. Seaside**
- 2. Upper Bay Eastern Shore**
- 3. Lower Bay Eastern Shore**
- 4. Upper Bay Western Shore**
- 5. Middle Bay Western Shore**
- 6. Lower Bay Western Shore**
- 7. Tidewater**

VIRGINIA OYSTER GROWERS

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