

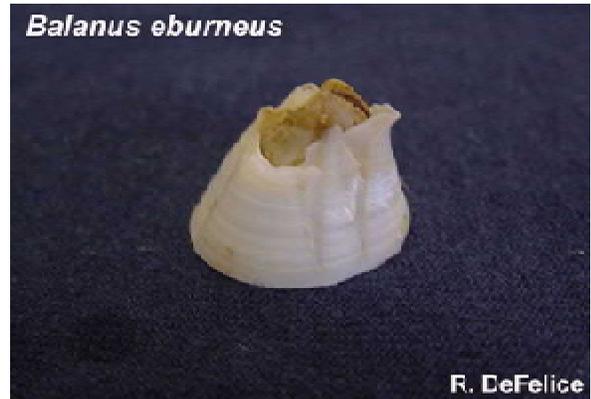


Balanus eburneus

Ivory barnacle

Threat Scores

1. Ecological Impact
 - A nuisance fouler, fouling oyster in Alabama, which increases labor costs for market preparation
 - Balanus species may also cause significant changes to ecological processes by increasing the area and volume available for associated fauna, thereby causing changes to food webs
 - There is some spatial competition with other species
2. Geographic Extent
 - Locally patchy
3. Management Difficulty
 - Some success with slimicides in cooling water systems
 - Toxic chemicals unsuitable for systems harboring beneficial marine organisms



Geography and Habitat

1. Native: Atlantic Coast of North America, Caribbean to northern South America
2. Introduced: Hawaii
3. Habitats
 - Intertidal zones, fouling communities, benthic, mangroves
 - Common in the low intertidal fouling community
 - Found on ship hulls, buoys, pilings, oysters, and mangrove roots

Invasion Pathways

1. Hull/Surface fouling
2. Stocking in open water

Non-Native Locations

1. 152 - Hawaiian Islands

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