

GREEN ALGAE



Ulva sp. (Sea lettuce)



There are approximately 6 species of *Ulva* around Australia. Broad, flat fronds; very thin, almost transparent bright green algae living in shallow waters. Grows in shallow pools and across the tops of reefs where it is eaten by grazers. Most abundant during spring and dies off during summer.

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Turfing Green Algae

Most intertidal rocky reefs have some form of turfing algae. This is an example of turfing green algae. It is extremely short (like turf), patchy in distribution and often buried by sediment.

Inset: An example of green turfing algae up close.

