

# Island Point Harbour

**CHS Chart No:** 4277 – Great Bras d'Or, St Andrews Channel & St Anns Bay

**Amenities:** none

## **Description:**

The harbour at Island Point is created by a 1½-mile long gypsum outcrop rising to a height of 30 feet from the south shore of Boularderie Island. The white gypsum cliffs, standing out from Boularderie Island, make a good landmark for the approach to the harbour. Except for the shoal shown, extending from the small point in the entrance, the water is deep when approaching the harbour, and carries 38 feet well up to the sandbar connecting the island to the mainland. It shoals quickly in sand and mud to 10 feet about 1000 feet from the bar.

The sheer, eroded white cliffs belie the presence of shallow water along the southern shore of the bay, extending approximately 700 feet from the shore, and is built up from the erosion of the gypsum cliffs. The water on the north shore is bold.

A small basin, approximately 700 feet by 500 feet, opening along the south shore, is probably the result of a sink-hole, a common occurrence in karst topography. A bar extends across the entrance, carrying only 6 feet, but once inside the cove provides good protection. Favour the western side of the entrance.

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