



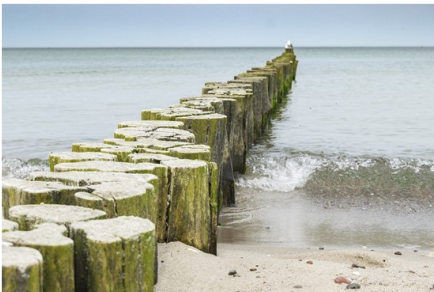
Accropodes are heavy duty concrete defences often used in the most exposed locations.



Breakwaters act as a first line of defence for a coastline. The Marina Bandar Rowdah breakwater is directly exposed to the Gulf of Oman.



A large natural beach, which is unprotected, can prevent the erosion of cliffs by slowing down the force of the waves.



Groynes are used to preserve the profile of a beach by preventing the migration of sands and gravels. They are often made out of wood and concrete.



Sea wall are used in harbours around the world to protect vessels and settlements from the elements. They are most often constructed from concrete or local stone.



Tetrapods are designed to lock-in with each other forming a cohesive layer of defence much like chain-mail armour. These are used along the harbour front in Muscat.