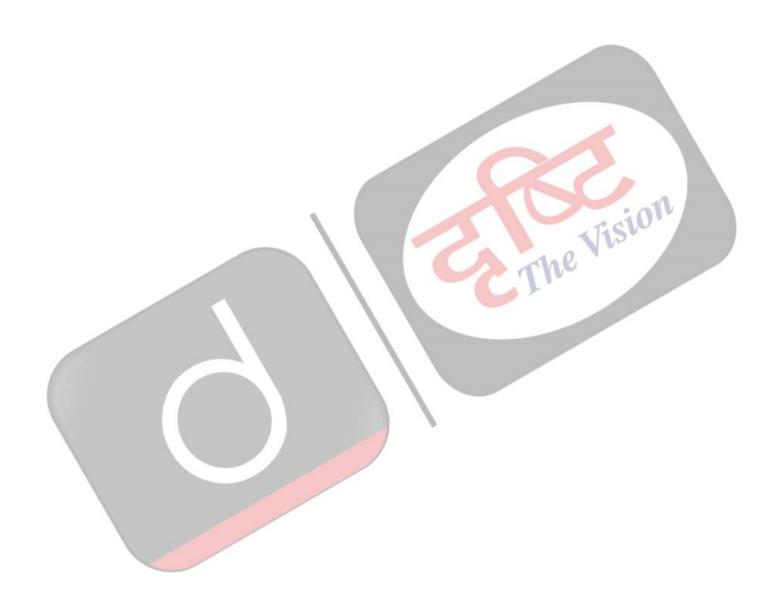


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#### **About:**

- · Also known as the Euxine Sea
- Bordering Countries: Ukraine, Russia, Georgia, Turkey, Bulgaria, Romania.
- Surrounding Mountains: Pontic (south), Caucasus (east), and Crimean Mountains (north).
- Connections: The Turkish Straits
  System (TSS) connects the
  Marmara, Black and Mediterranean
  seas through the Bosphorus and
  Dardanelles straits.
- Extension: Sea of Azov, linked by the Strait of Kerch.

### **Russia-Ukraine Conflict:**

- Russian Military Control: Focused on the Donbass region (Donetsk and Luhansk), Crimea (annexed in 2014), Mariupol (Sea of Azov port), and Odessa (west of Crimea).
- Straits Control: Turkey's Montreux Convention governs naval passage through the Bosporus and Dardanelles.

#### **Environmental Concern:**

 Sea of Marmara: Notable for the largest outbreak of 'sea snot'.



