Sankaty Sand, Nantucket Island, Massachusetts 1984



Exposure of the Sankaty Sand at Sankaty Head, Nantucket Island, Massachusetts (see Oldale et al., 1982). Sankaty Sand is found between till (possible MIS 6) and outwash (likely MIS 2-3). Sankaty Sand is divided into two units, upper and lower. View of upper sand (viewed from below – see arrow) is seen in the photo below – all shells in upper sand have been transported, while many shells in the lower sand are in place. Red backpack at lower right of photo for scale.

Sankaty Sand detail:



View from below of the upper Sankaty Sand, showing transported Mercenaria shells.