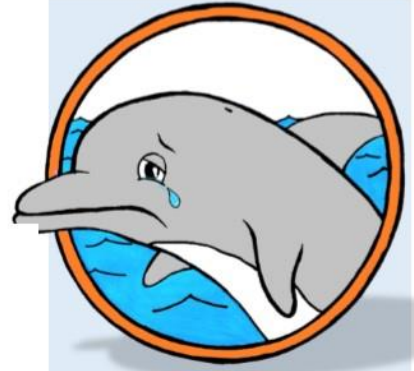


DOLPHINS & WHALES

YOUR FRIENDLY NEIGHBOURS



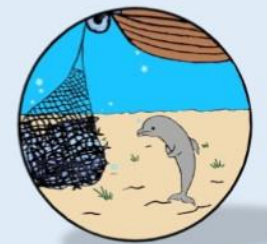
What makes us sad
and what you can do:



Trash & pollution
Pick it up, beach clean
Use reusables



Captivity
Visit me in the wild



No food
Buy from small,
ecofriendly fisheries



Entanglement fishing nets

I have the biggest brain. And each tooth in my lower jaw weighs 1kg. I am huge!



Sperm whale, 18 m

I am the largest of all dolphins and can live up to 30 years. My upper jaw does not have any teeth.

Look at me:



Risso's dolphin, 6 m

I am the best diver because I can hold my breath for up to two hours. I can also pull my fins into pockets at my side which helps me to dive faster. I look like a Panda!



Cuvier's beaked whale, 6 m

I live in huge groups called pods with up to 1000 dolphins. We are more active during the night and rest during the day.

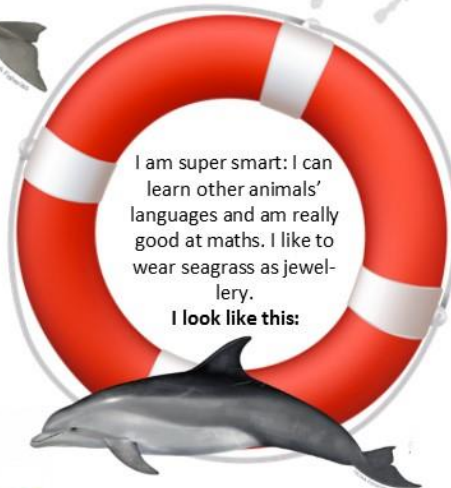
This is me:



Common dolphin, 2 m

I am super smart: I can learn other animals' languages and am really good at maths. I like to wear seagrass as jewellery.

I look like this:



Bottlenose dolphin, 4 m

My lifestyle is fast and furious. I am super fast, can jump more than three times my length, up to 9 m, and like to perform acrobatics.

Look at my stripes:



Striped dolphin, 2,5 m

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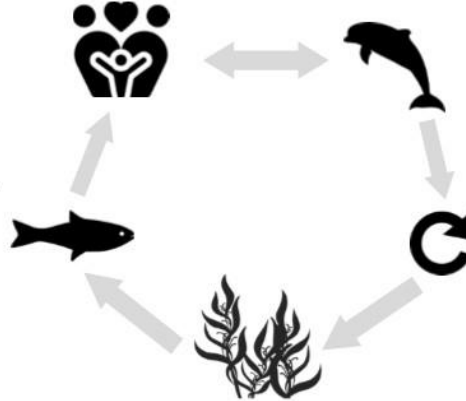


YOUR EFFICIENT COWORKERS



Healthy ecosystem

Dolphins keep the living and non-living marine balance in check through energy transfer and regulation. Therefore plenty of plankton can grow to ensure a varied and wide abundance of fish, which ensures high fishing profits.



Unhealthy ecosystem

Without dolphins the marine ecosystem is unbalanced which results in a lack of plankton life. Without plants there is little fish and therefore unprofitable.



SPECIES UNDER THREAT



Fin whale

18,5 – 20 m, long head, light underside



Mostly threatened by anthropogenic noise, ship strikes from high speed ferries



Sperm whale

11-20 m, bid block shaped head, wrinkled skin



Mostly threatened by Entanglement, and noise



Cuvier's beaked whale

5-7 m, short beak, small fins



Mostly threatened by anthropogenic noises (seismic surveys, naval sonar)



Risso's dolphin

Big dorsal fin, scars, bulbous head
Mostly threatened by bycatch, habitat loss due to noise especially sonar



Bottlenose dolphin

2-4 m, grey, defined snout



Mostly threatened by prey depletion due to commercial fishing, bycatch and prey depletion



Striped dolphin

Black striped from eye to tail



Mostly threatened by entanglement, and



Common dolphin

1,5-2,5 m, light yellow hourglass pattern laterally
Mostly threatened by prey depletion, and bycatch



Monk seal

2-2,5 m, dark coat, white stomach patch
Mostly threatened by habitat deterioration, entanglement, killing



BE SMART



Avoid bycatch



Favour less destructive methods



Respect protected areas, times, distances and laws (e.g. minimum catch sizes)



Decrease pollution and pick up trash



Recycle and reuse

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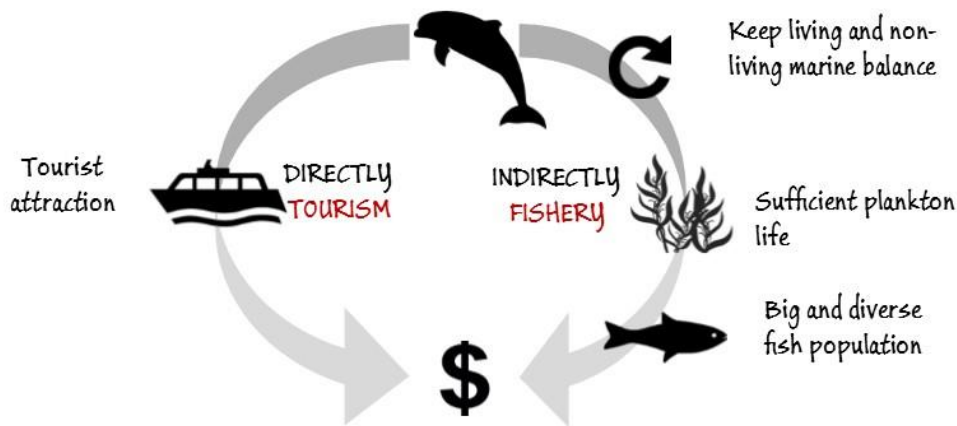
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SPECIES IN OUR WATERS



Fin whale
Mostly threatened by anthropogenic noise, ship strikes from high speed ferries
< VULNERABLE >



Sperm whale
Mostly threatened by entanglement, ship-ping and noise
< ENDANGERED >



Cuvier's beaked whale
Mostly threatened by anthropogenic noises (seismic surveys, naval sonar)
< VULNERABLE >



Risso's dolphin
Mostly threatened by bycatch, habitat loss due to noise especially sonar
DATA DEFICIENT



Bottlenose dolphin
Mostly threatened by prey depletion due to commercial fishing, bycatch, habitat destruction, unregulated tourism
< VULNERABLE >



Striped dolphin
Mostly threatened by entanglement, driftnets, habitat destruction, unregulated tourism
< VULNERABLE >



Common dolphin
Mostly threatened by prey depletion, bycatch, habitat destruction, unregulated tourism
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Monk seal
Mostly threatened by habitat deterioration, entanglement, killing
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YOU HAVE
THE POWER



Mobilize community



Increase the effectiveness
of protected areas



Enforce Laws



Support less destructive
fishing methods



Support studies
and research



Decrease pollution



Recycle and reuse



Invest in green energy instead
of seismic activities for oil
exploration

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