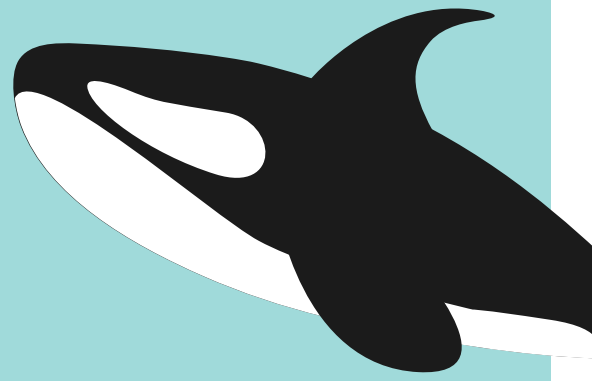


9 FACTS ABOUT WHALES



The blue whale is the biggest animal that has ever lived. It is roughly the size of three buses!

Whales breathe air, just like humans. They use blowholes on their heads to breathe in air when they reach the surface.

A group of whales is called a pod. These pods can range in size from 2 - 200 whales.

Certain species of whales sing to each other to communicate, attract new mates and just have fun!

The bowhead whale can live for up to 200 years.

Fishing for whales is now banned in most countries because there are not many of them left

Humpback whales don't eat for 5-7 months of the year whilst they are migrating to the Antarctic.

There used to be around 225,000 blue whales on the planet. Today there are less than 3,000.

Whales are clever animals. They can teach, learn, work together and plan things!