

# CETACEANS

## Baleen and Toothed Whales


Cetaceans are a group of aquatic mammals (like dolphins, porpoises, and whales) that contains over 80 species!


Within the order Cetacea there are two groups of whales:

Mysticeti (baleen whales, like the Humpback, Pygmy, and Blue to the right) and Odontoceti (toothed whales, like the Beaked Whale, Orca, Hector's Dolphin, and Sperm Whale).

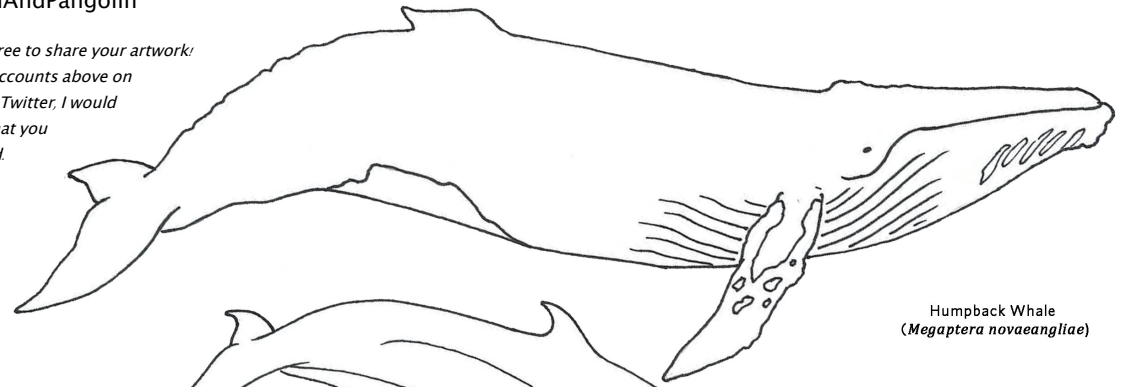
Odontocetes have teeth and usually hunt their prey one by one, often using echolocation!

Mysticetes lack teeth, and instead use their baleen to filter feed tiny prey.

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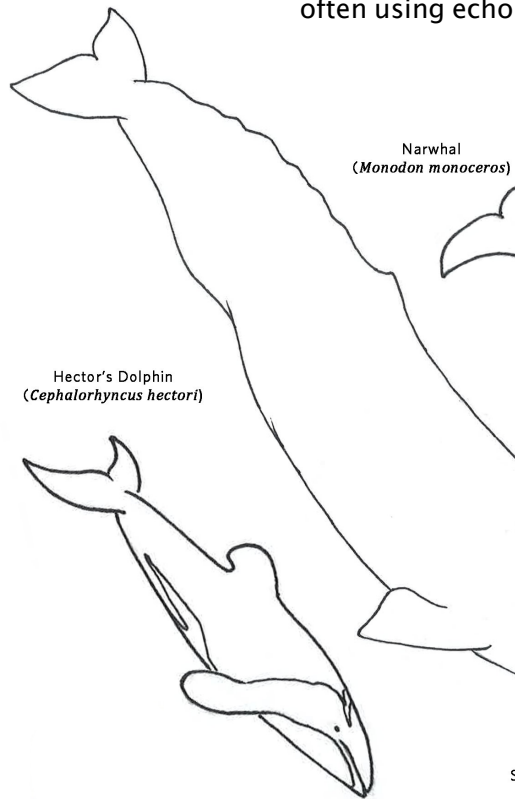
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Humpback Whale  
(*Megaptera novaeangliae*)

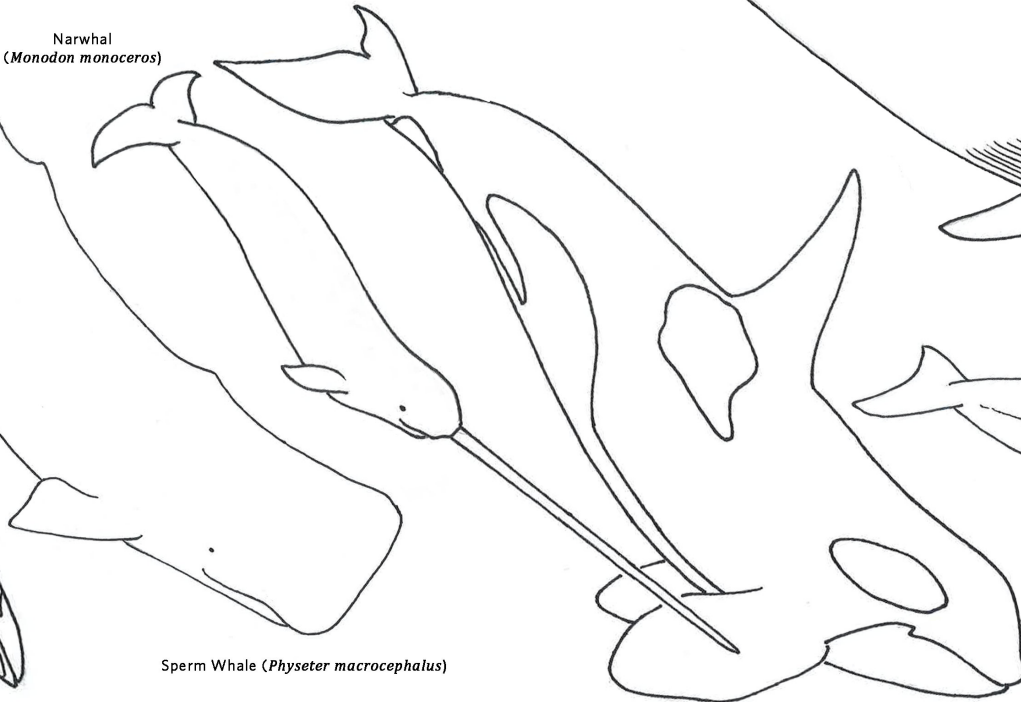


Pygmy Right Whale  
(*Caperea marginata*)



Narwhal  
(*Monodon monoceros*)

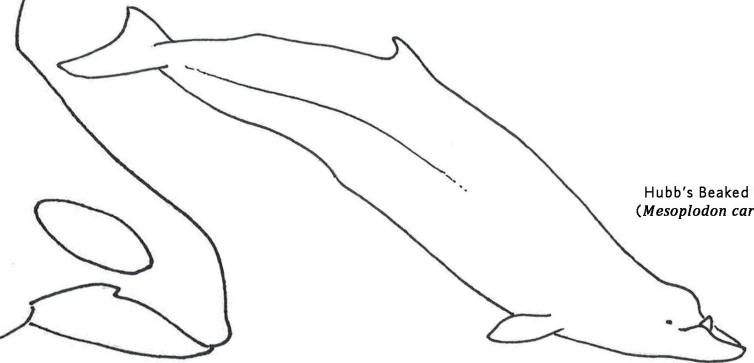
Hector's Dolphin  
(*Cephalorhynchus hectori*)



Sperm Whale (*Physeter macrocephalus*)



Blue Whale (*Balaenoptera musculus*)



Hubb's Beaked Whale  
(*Mesoplodon carlshubbi*)

Orca / Killer Whale (*Orcinus orca*)