



# MARINE MEGAFAUNA OF THE ALGARVE





# What we do



- Research surveys
- Collect and analyze data
- Publish studies
- Run educational programs
- Remove litter from the ocean



# What sp. can we observe?



## Cetaceans

Common dolphin  
Bottlenose dolphin  
Striped dolphin  
Risso's dolphin  
Pilot whale  
Orca  
Harbor porpoise  
Minke whale  
Bryde's whale  
Sei whale  
Humpback whale  
Fin whale



## Fishes

Blue shark  
Smooth hammerhead shark  
Sunfish  
Marlin  
Tuna

## Sea turtles

Loggerhead turtle  
Leatherback turtle  
Green turtle

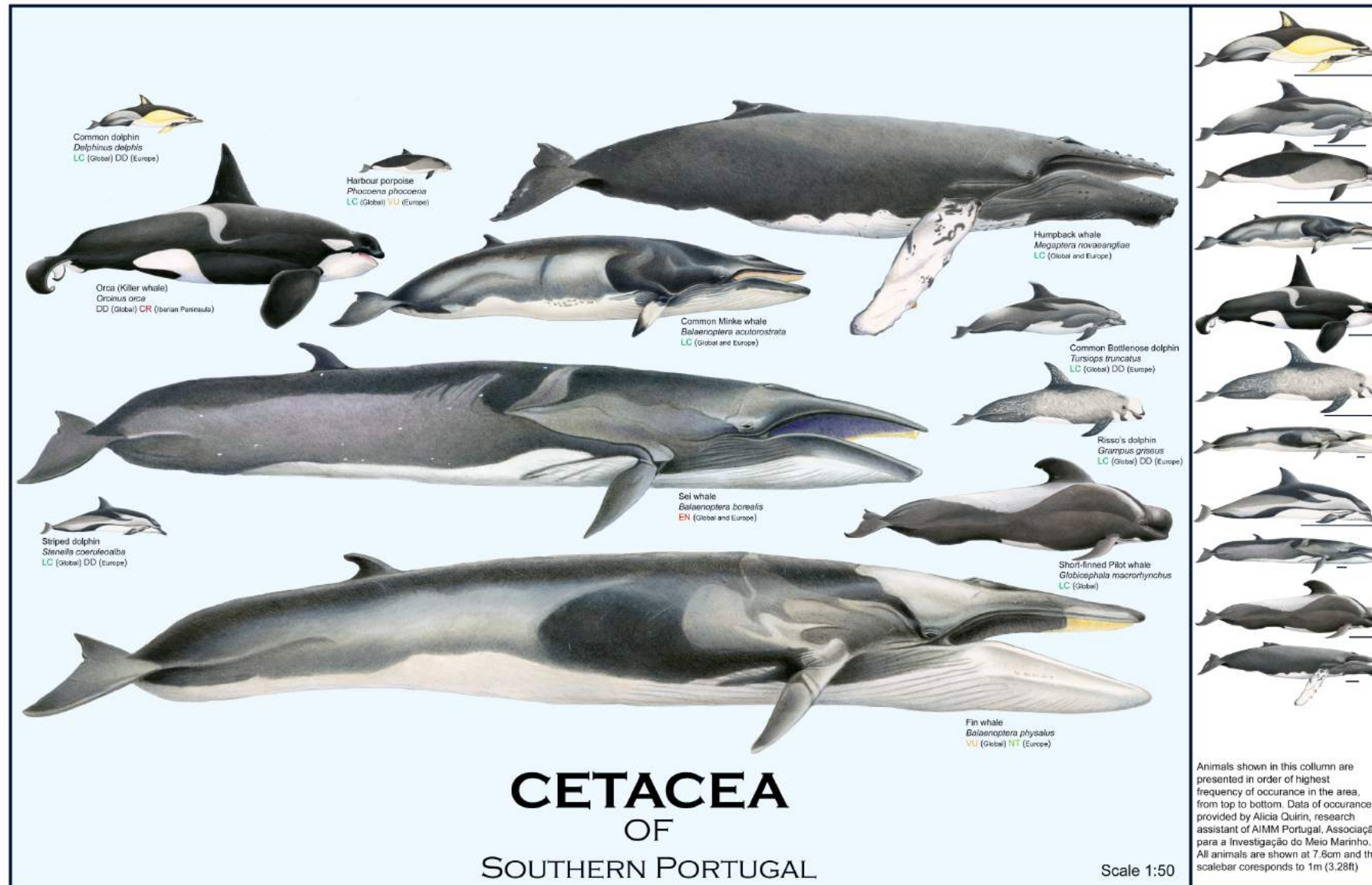
## Marine birds

Skuas  
Gannets  
Puffins  
Shearwaters  
Petrels  
Gulls





# Cetaceans of Southern Portugal



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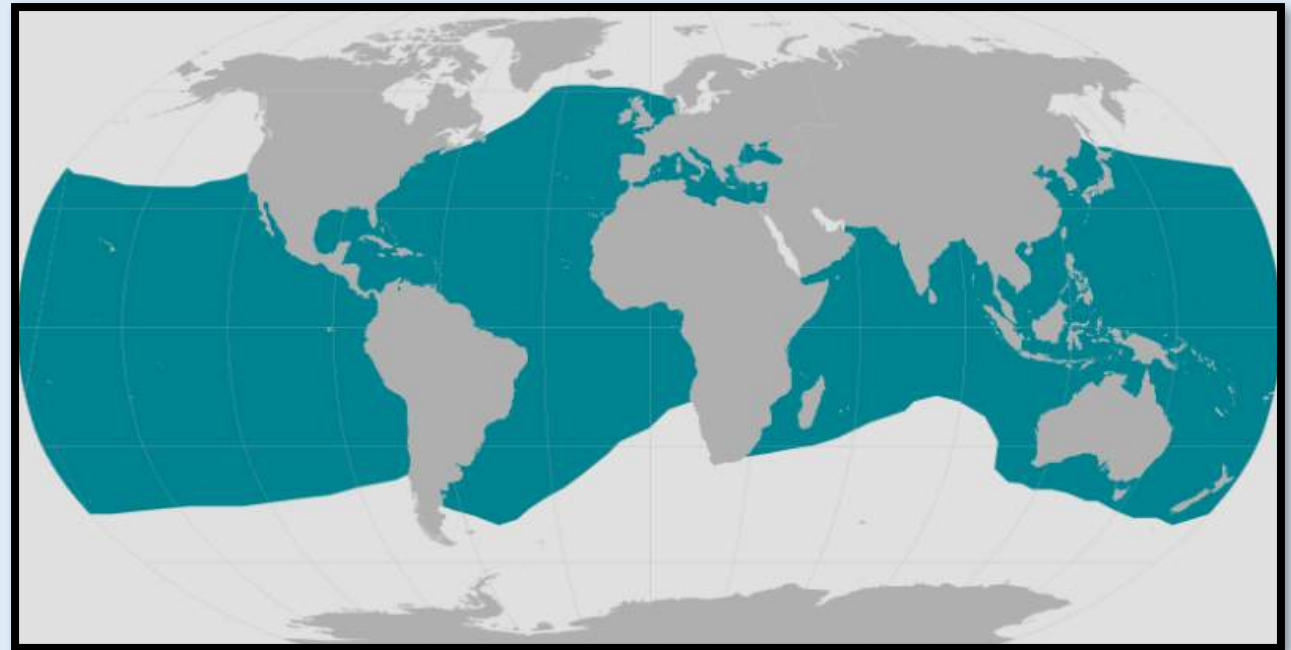
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# Odontoceti (toothed whales)

## Bottlenose dolphin (*Tursiops truncatus*)



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## Bottlenose dolphin (*Tursiops truncatus*)

- Length: 4 meters
- Weight: 650 Kg (9 humans)
- Color: Gray
- Behavior: Smart, acrobatic
- Lifespan: ~52 years
- Diet: Fish, cephalopods, crustaceans
- Distribution: Worldwide, - poles

Most common species in captivity

