

MARINE PROTECTED SPECIES of the MARIANA ISLANDS

National Marine Fisheries Service, Pacific Islands Regional Office

MARINE MAMMALS

All marine mammals are protected under the Marine Mammal Protection Act. Those identified under the ESA Listing are also protected under the Endangered Species Act.

<u>Common Name</u>	<u>Scientific Name</u>	<u>ESA Listing</u>
Blue Whale	<i>Balaenoptera musculus</i>	Endangered
Blainville's Beaked Whale	<i>Mesoplodon densirostris</i>	
Bryde's Whale	<i>Balaenoptera edeni</i>	
Cuvier's Beaked Whale	<i>Ziphius cavirostris</i>	
Dwarf Sperm Whale	<i>Kogia simus</i>	
False Killer Whale	<i>Pseudorca crassidens</i>	
Fin Whale	<i>Balaenoptera physalus</i>	Endangered
Humpback Whale	<i>Megaptera novaeangliae</i>	Endangered
Killer Whale	<i>Orcinus orca</i>	
Long-finned Pilot Whale	<i>Globicephala melaena</i>	
Longman's Beaked Whale	<i>Indopacetus pacificus</i>	
Melon-headed Whale	<i>Peponocephala electra</i>	
Minke Whale	<i>Balaenoptera acutorostrata</i>	
Pygmy Killer Whale	<i>Feresa attenuata</i>	
Pygmy Sperm Whale	<i>Kogia breviceps</i>	
Sei Whale	<i>Balaenoptera borealis</i>	Endangered
Short-finned Pilot Whale	<i>Globicephala macrorhynchus</i>	
Sperm Whale	<i>Physeter macrocephalus</i>	Endangered
Bottlenose Dolphin	<i>Tursiops truncatus</i>	
Common Dolphin	<i>Delphinus delphis</i>	
Fraser's Dolphin	<i>Lagenodelphis hosei</i>	
Pantropical Spotted Dolphin	<i>Stenella attenuata</i>	
Risso's Dolphin	<i>Grampus griseus</i>	
Rough-toothed Dolphin	<i>Steno bredanensis</i>	
Spinner Dolphin	<i>Stenella longirostris</i>	
Striped Dolphin	<i>Stenella coeruleoalba</i>	
Dugong*	<i>Dugong dugon</i>	Endangered
Northern Elephant Seal	<i>Mirounga angustirostris</i>	

SEA TURTLES

All sea turtles are protected under the Endangered Species Act.

<u>Common Name</u>	<u>Scientific Name</u>	<u>ESA Listing</u>
Green Turtle	<i>Chelonia mydas</i>	Threatened
Hawksbill Turtle	<i>Eretmochelys imbricata</i>	Endangered
Leatherback Turtle	<i>Dermochelys coriacea</i>	Endangered
North Pacific Loggerhead Turtle	<i>Caretta caretta</i>	Endangered
Olive Ridley Turtle	<i>Lepidochelys olivacea</i>	Threatened

* Dugongs are under the jurisdiction of the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service.

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