

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> | |

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

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 |

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Common Name

Scalloped Hammerhead Shark, Indo-West Pacific DPS

Scientific Name

Sphyrna lewini

ESA Listing

Threatened

CORALS

NOAA Fisheries has listed coral species in the Marianas Islands (Guam and CNMI) as threatened under the ESA. This list represents the best available information on species presence at this time but could change as additional information becomes available.

Scientific Name

Seriatopora aculeata

Acropora globiceps

Acropora retusa

ESA Listing

Threatened

Threatened

Threatened

