

Juneau Flukes Catalog

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About this catalog...

This free resource is organized by Juneau Flukes, a non-profit dedicated to research, education, and community that focuses on humpback whales in the Juneau area. This catalog includes a combination of photographs from permitted research cruises and from citizen science and web-contributed sources.

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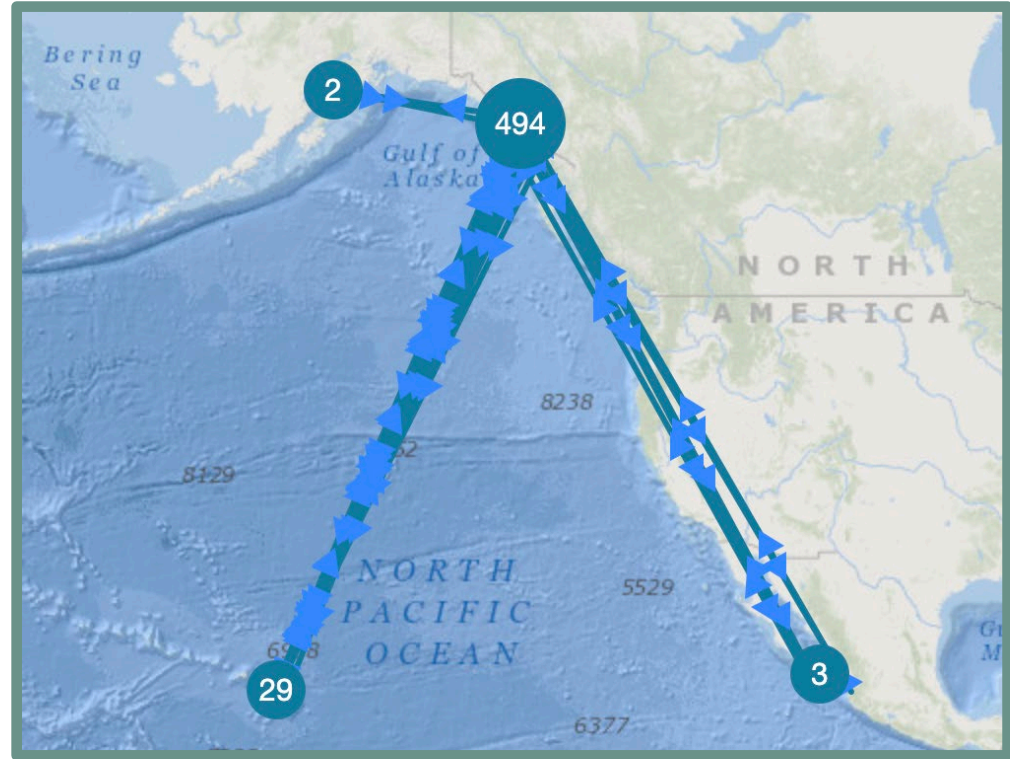
Want to keep tabs on the whales you've seen?

Juneau Flukes is proud to partner with Happywhale!

To learn more about the whales you see, or track them through time, consider uploading your fluke photos to:

www.Happywhale.com

The whales seen in the Juneau area are part of a larger feeding aggregation in Southeast Alaska and northern British Columbia and move in and out of the Juneau area. They migrate thousands of miles for breeding and birthing.



By uploading your photos, you can:

- Contribute to Juneau Flukes monitoring efforts
- See documented past sightings
- Sign up to get email notifications of future sightings!

Matching your own fluke photos



Those little flukes are a lot bigger than they seem...



For Scale:
6 Feet tall
(with heels)

When possible, **use the trailing edge** when matching flukes. The peaks and valleys tend to persist through the whale's life and can help you identify it.

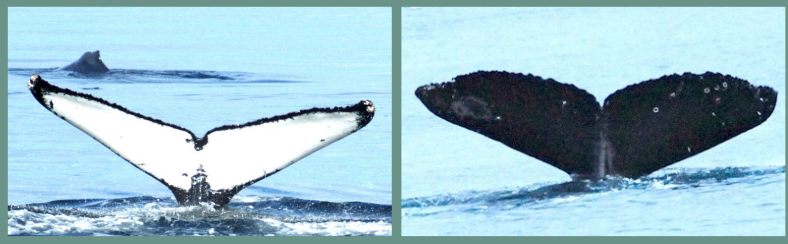
You can **lighten** a photo by changing the exposure and/or contrast. This will often help to reveal markings.

It often helps to rotate the photo so the flukes are horizontal in the frame and crop the photo. **Always keep a copy of the original!**

When in doubt, **upload your photo to Happywhale.com**. The powerful, automated matching algorithm will match flukes for you with unbelievable accuracy!

Matching Flukes is Pattern Recognition

- Notice both coloration and SHAPE.



- White skin scars black and black skin scars white.



- Dark photos can hide markings. Below are 2 photos of the same whale in different lighting. Be sure to also look at the trailing edge.



BUT flukes change:

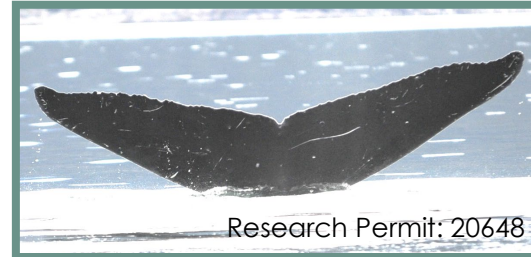
Scars can be acquired and can fade over time...
Take this whale for example:

Enigma (JF-144)



2014

Photo:
Suzie Teerlink



2015

Photo:
Heidi Pearson



2017

Photo:
Scott Ranger



2020

Photo:
Suzie Teerlink

Photo ID allows us to track humpback whales individuals without even touching them

Photo ID can tell us about:

- Migration and movements
- Site fidelity (or tendency to return to and stay in the same areas)
- Relationships with other whales
- Age and longevity
- Reproductive success
- Life history
- Behavior (for example, bubble net feeding groups)
- Population estimates
- And much more...



"Hilda" (SEAK -2171)
Research Permit: 14296

How to Use This Catalog

There are **244** individual humpback whale flukes in this catalog taken between **2006-2022**, arranged in groups by how much white is on the flukes. The **(YEAR)** in the notes is the first known sighting using a combination of Juneau Flukes data and **Happywhale.com** publicly viewable data.

Details in the notes for individual whales come from a variety of sources. Those marked with an asterisk* indicate that the data came from sightings contributed to **Happywhale.com**. For more details on any anecdotes captured here, go to **Happywhale.com** and search by the whale's ID or nickname to see the source photos and details about those sightings.

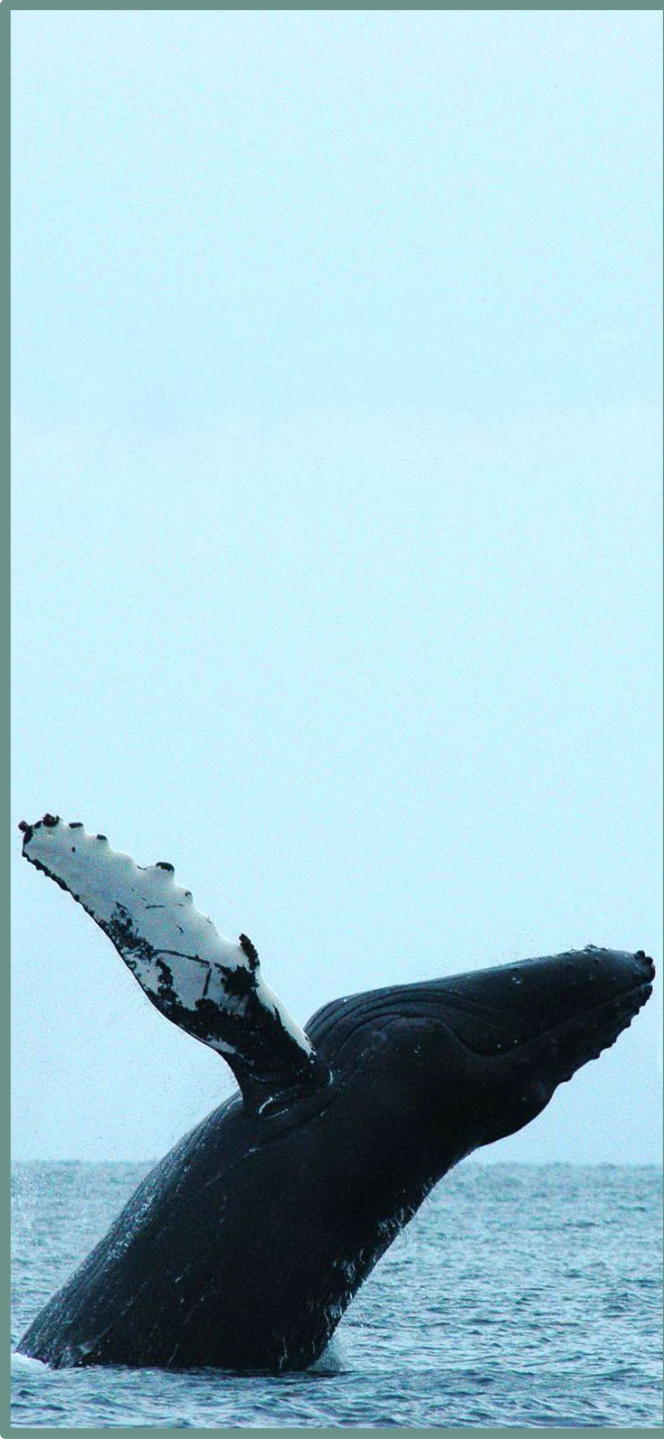


Sex data are either known from genetic analysis of biopsy samples and/or shed skin, or from a confirmed sighting with a calf (for females). There are two main sources:

1) **Happywhale.com** reports sex for many Juneau whales reported from the **SPLASH** study observations and biopsy samples and **Oregon State University Cetacean Conservation and Genomics Lab** analysis. These are indicated as "Likely" female/male*.

2) **Juneau Humpback Whale Baseline Study** (Heidi Pearson/UAS, Suzie Teerlink/NOAA Fisheries, John Moran/NOAA Fisheries, Shannon Atkinson/UAF). Skin/blubber biopsy and shed skin samples were collected and analyzed at the **Oregon State University Cetacean Conservation and Genomics Lab** along with field observations. These records are indicated as "Known" female/male°.

The Juneau Humpback Whale Baseline Study started in 2020, and has provided valuable insight into the health of Juneau's whales and has contributed generously to this catalog.



Flame (SEAK 1538) - VIP



Artwork by Richard Dolan

If there ever were a VIP award for whales, Juneau would be hard pressed to find a more deserving recipient. Flame is not only our most seen and recognized whale, but also the most prolific!

Flame has had 6 documented calves. Amazingly, the most recent 4 calves were born in 4 consecutive years... Most of the time, females have resting years between calves. Occasionally, they will have two consecutive calves... but FOUR IS INCREDIBLE.

2013 - Spark

Photo: Barbara Gillespie



2016 - Ember

Photo: Liz Stahl



2019 - Bunsen

Photo: Jim Pfitzer



2020 - Smoke

Photo: Jim Pfitzer



2021 - Bolt

Photo: Jayleen Bydlon



2022 - Cinder

Photo: Scott Ranger



All White

-the eye catchers-





Research Permit: 20648

SEAK-1480

Nickname:

Photographer: Heidi Pearson

Notes: (2007) Likely female*.



Research Permit: 14245

SEAK-0183

Nickname: Buttons

Photographer: John Moran

Notes: (1982)* Seen in Hawaii*.
Likely male*.



SEAK-1038

Nickname: Equals

Photographer: Jan Diers

Notes: (1988)* Seen in Hawaii*.
Commonly seen in bubble net feeding
groups and a temp camera tag
showed them as the bubble blower.



SEAK-2615

Nickname:

Photographer: George Gillen

Notes: (2018)



SEAK-1640

Nickname:

Photographer: Joanna Young

Notes: (2004)* Seen in Hawaii*. The
yellowing is a diatom (a type of
algae), and is not permanent.



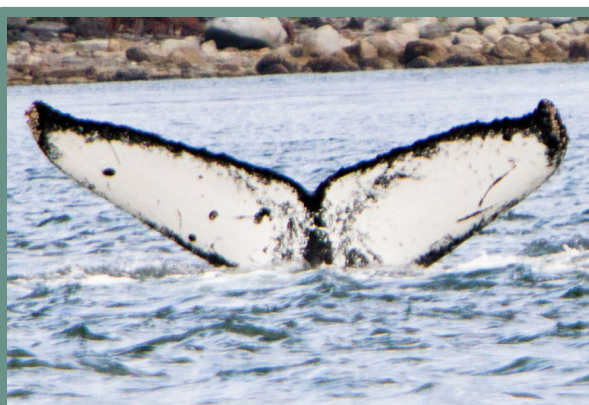
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SEAK-2029

Nickname:

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink

Notes: (2014) Likely male*.



SEAK-2220

Nickname:

Photographer: Gastineau Guiding Co.

Notes: (2009)* Seen in Hawaii*.



SEAK-2654

Nickname: Siara

Photographer: Gastineau Guiding Co.

Notes: (2010) Seen in Homer, Alaska.



Research Permit: 14296

SEAK-1443

Nickname: Dot Spot

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink

Notes: (2001)* Seen in Hawaii*. Known female°.



Research Permit: 14245

SEAK-1297

Nickname: ChillPill

Photographer: Johanna Vollenweider

Notes: (1995)*



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SEAK-2321

Nickname: Ruthie

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink

Notes: (2009)* Seen in Hawaii*.



SEAK-0177

Nickname: Dutchy

Photographer: Liz Stahl

Notes: (1987)* Seen in Hawaii*.



SEAK-0221

Nickname:

Photographer: Gastineau Guiding Co.

Notes: (1986)* Seen in Hawaii*.



SEAK-0455

Nickname: Scrutineer

Photographer: John Moran

Notes: (1994)* Seen in Hawaii*.
Known Female, mother to Flame
(SEAK-1538) in 2001.



SEAK-1483

Nickname:

Photographer: Sharon Jahn

Notes: (2012)*



SEAK-2341

Nickname:

Photographer: Karson Coutre

Notes: (2013)* The circular scars on the flukes are from barnacles that have since fallen off.



SEAK-1538

Nickname: Flame

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink

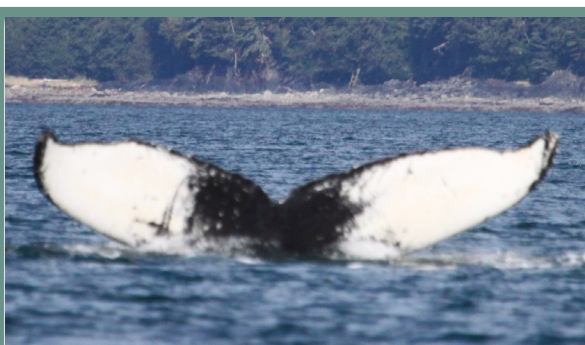
Notes: Calf in 2001 to Scrutineer (SEAK-0455; shown above). Seen in Hawaii*.
Most seen Award! Known Female°. Mother of at least 6 calves: Spark,
Ember, Bunsen, Smoke, Bolt, & Cinder. See her highlight in the catalog intro.



SEAK-1538 (Dorsal fin)

Nickname: Flame

Photographer: Heidi Pearson



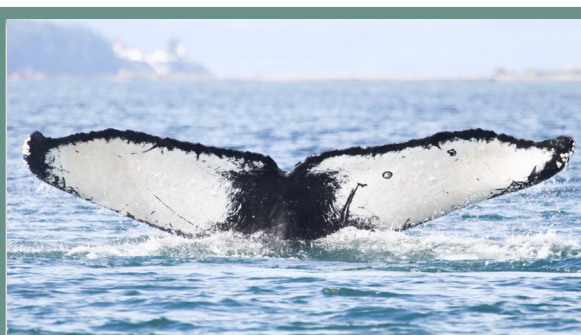
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SEAK-5094

Nickname:

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink

Notes: (2005)*



Research Permit: 14296

SEAK-2010

Nickname:

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink

Notes: (2004)* Seen in Hawaii*. Likely male*.



SEAK-0197

Nickname: Vulture

Photographer: Gastineau Guiding Co.

Notes: (1982)* Seen in Mexico*.



SEAK-1215

Nickname: Viking

Photographer: Gastineau Guiding Co.

Notes: (1994)* Seen in Hawaii*. Likely male*. Commonly seen in bubble net feeding groups and survived a prop injury that left him with a distinct dorsal fin.



SEAK-1215 (Dorsal fin)

Nickname: Viking

Photographer: Jayleen Bydlon



SEAK-2175

Nickname:

Photographer: Jay Beedle

Notes: Calf in 2007 to SEAK-1160. Both mom and calf frequented inner Auke Bay Harbor in 2007.



Research Permit: 20648

SEAK-5298

Nickname:

Photographer: Heidi Pearson

Notes: (2019)* Seen in Hawaii*.



SEAK-5308

Nickname:

Photographer: Gastineau Guiding Co.

Notes: (2012)* Seen in Hawaii*.



SEAK-1538_calf_2019

Nickname: Bunsen

Photographer: Jim Pfitzer

Notes: Calf in 2019 to Flame (SEAK-1538).



SEAK-1538_calf_2021

Nickname: Bolt

Photographer: Jayleen Bydlon

Notes: Calf in 2021 to Flame (SEAK-1538). Also seen in Sitka.



SEAK-2703

Nickname: Cinder

Photographer: Scott Ranger

Notes: Calf in 2022 to Flame (SEAK-1538) with an overactive curiosity of boats!



SEAK-1410

Nickname: Papercut

Photographer: Bri Pettie

Notes: (1997)* Seen in Hawaii*. Likely female*.

Lotta White

-the half-and-half(s)-





Research Permit: 14245

SEAK-0276

Nickname: Wappi Simba

Photographer: John Moran

Notes: (1987)* Seen in Hawaii*.
Likely male*.



SEAK-2610

Nickname: Chromosome

Photographer: Gastineau Guiding Co.

Notes: (2014) Seen in Hawaii*.



Research Permit: 20648

SEAK-0516

Nickname:

Photographer: Heidi Pearson

Notes: (1988)* Seen in Mexico AND
Hawaii*. Likely male*.



Research Permit: 20648

SEAK-0875

Nickname: Arpeggio

Photographer: Heidi Pearson

Notes: (1988)* Seen in Hawaii*.
Likely male*. Has a prop scar on his
left dorsal fin.



SEAK-1919

Nickname:

Photographer: Gastineau Guiding Co.

Notes: Calf in 2005 to SEAK-0274*.
Seen in Hawaii*.



JF-104

Nickname:

Photographer: Scott Ranger

Notes: (2013)

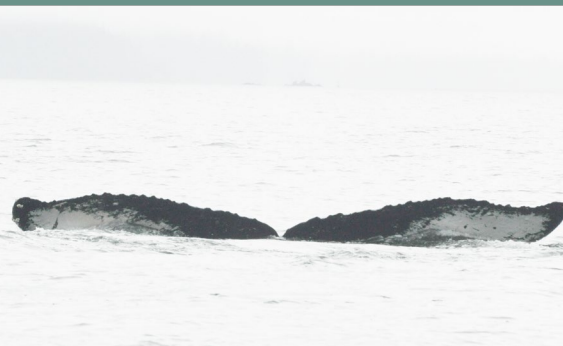


SEAK-1435

Nickname:

Photographer: Gastineau Guiding Co.

Notes: (1994)* Seen in Hawaii*. Likely male*.



SEAK-1019

Nickname:

Photographer: Gastineau Guiding Co.

Notes: (2004)* Likely Female*. Seen in Hawaii*.



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SEAK-0271

Nickname: Q-tip

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink

Notes: (1997)*



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SEAK-1434

Nickname: Spot

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink

Notes: (1994)* Likely male*. Seen in Hawaii*. Used to be very common around Juneau, but not seen anywhere* since 2016 (RIP?).



SEAK-1088

Nickname: Bitey

Photographer: Gastineau Guiding Co.

Notes: (2004)* Seen in Hawaii*.



Research Permit: 20648

JF-105

Nickname: Cotton

Photographer: Heidi Pearson

Notes: (2013) Commonly seen in bubble net feeding groups.



Research Permit: 14122

SEAK-0513

Nickname: Panmixia

Photographer: Flip Nicklin

Notes: (1989)* Seen in Hawaii*.
Likely male*.



Research Permit: 20648

SEAK-5315

Nickname:

Photographer: Heidi Pearson

Notes: (2007)* Seen in Hawaii*.



Research Permit: 14245

SEAK-1758

Nickname:

Photographer: Fletcher Sewell

Notes: (2002)* Seen in Hawaii*.
Likely male*.



SEAK-0200

Nickname: SkoomKumChuc

Photographer: Craig Eddy

Notes: (1988)* Seen in Hawaii*.
Likely male*.



Research Permit: 14245

SEAK-1879

Nickname: Sasha

Photographer: John Moran

Notes: (1998)* Seen in Hawaii*. Known female°. Notice "AK" markings on left fluke. She is recognizable by a series of line scars on her back, dorsal fin, and flank from a previous entanglements survived. Sasha seems to LOVE the South Shelter Island area.



SEAK-1879 (Dorsal fin)

Nickname: Sasha

Photographer: Scott Ranger

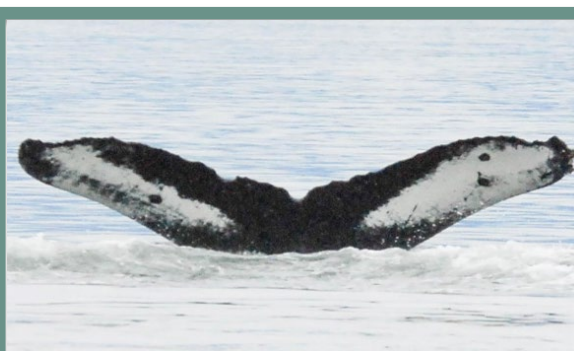


JF-107

Nickname: Stella

Photographer: Francois Lord

Notes: (2011)*



SEAK-2608

Nickname:

Photographer: Sheila Pitts

Notes: (2011)* Seen in Hawaii*.



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SEAK-0518

Nickname:

Photographer: John Moran

Notes: (1985)* Seen in Hawaii*. Likely male*. Commonly seen in bubble net feeding groups.



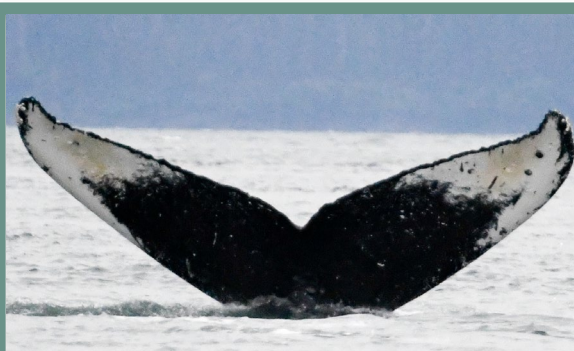
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SEAK-1160

Nickname:

Photographer: John Moran

Notes: (2004)*. Known female°. In 2007, frequented inner Auke Bay Harbor with her calf (SEAK-2175).



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SEAK-1507

Nickname: Casper

Photographer: Heidi Pearson

Notes: (2004)* Seen in Hawaii*. Likely female*.



SEAK-1821

Nickname: Eocene

Photographer: Gastineau Guiding Co.

Notes: (2009) Seen in Mexico AND Hawaii*. Likely male*.



JF-108

Nickname:

Photographer: Gastineau Guiding Co.

Notes: Calf in 2011.



SEAK-2681

Nickname: Polka

Photographer: Gastineau Guiding Co.

Notes: Calf in 2012 to Dot Spot (SEAK-1443). Likely female*.



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SEAK-2661

Nickname: Slingshot

Photographer: Heidi Pearson

Notes: Calf in 2020 to Bullethole (SEAK-1703).



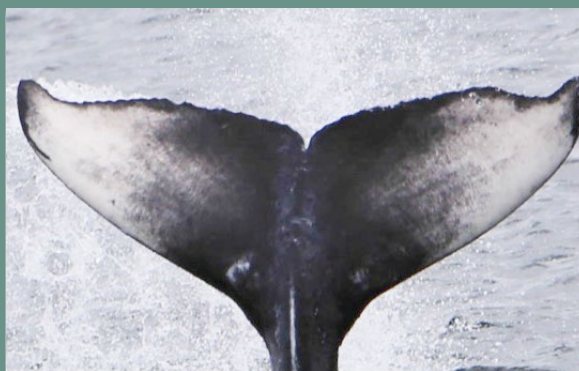
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SEAK-2297

Nickname:

Photographer: Heidi Pearson

Notes: (2004)* Seen in Hawaii AND Mexico*.



SEAK-1538_calf_2013

Nickname: Spark

Photographer: Barbara Gillespie

Notes: Calf in 2013 to Flame (SEAK-1538).



SEAK-1538_calf_2016

Nickname: Ember

Photographer: Liz Stahl

Notes: Calf in 2016 to Flame (SEAK-1538).

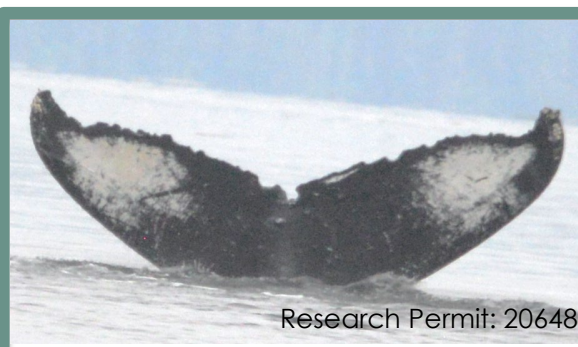


JF-109

Nickname:

Photographer: Sam Suen

Notes: (2015) Was a calf or Juvenile in 2015.



SEAK-1707

Nickname: Yukon

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink

Notes: Calf in 1991 to SEAK-0581*. Seen in Hawaii*. Named for subtle resemblance to the famous Atlantic whale, Nile. Commonly seen in bubble net feeding groups.



SEAK-1073

Nickname:

Photographer: John Moran

Notes: (2001)* Likely female*.



SEAK-5212

Nickname:

Photographer: Lesley Bonner

Notes: (2005)* Seen in Hawaii*.



SEAK-1900

Nickname:

Photographer: Gastineau Guiding Co.

Notes: (2005)* Likely male*. Seen in Hawaii*.



SEAK-0933

Nickname: Chip

Photographer: Jackie French

Notes: (2004)* Seen in Mexico*. Likely male*.



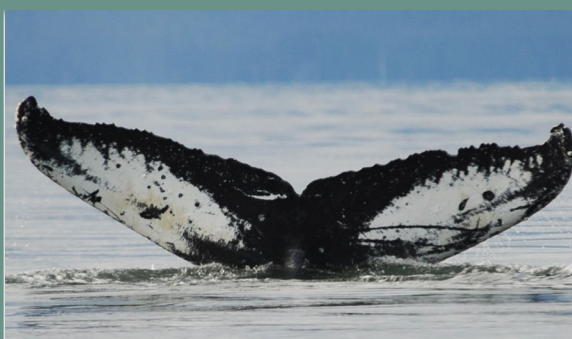
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SEAK-2353

Nickname:

Photographer: Flip Nicklin

Notes: (2007) Seen in Prince William Sound and Hawaii*.



Research Permit: 20648

SEAK-2140

Nickname:

Photographer: Heidi Pearson

Notes: (2004)* Seen in Hawaii*.



Research Permit: 20648

SEAK-2670

Nickname:

Photographer: Heidi Pearson

Notes: (2019)*



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SEAK-5057

Nickname: Manunauna

Photographer: Heidi Pearson

Notes: (2012)* Seen in Hawaii*.



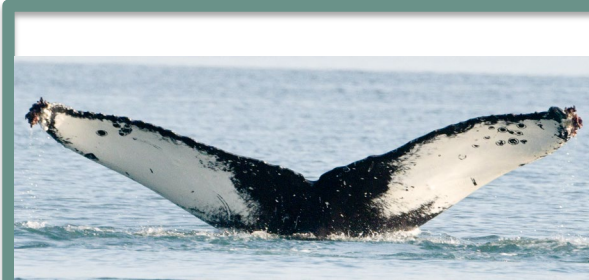
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SEAK-2651

Nickname:

Photographer: Heidi Pearson

Notes: (2014)* Seen in Hawaii*.



Research Permit: 20648

SEAK-2674

Nickname:

Photographer: Heidi Pearson

Notes: (2020) Seen in Mexico*. Like many whales, this whale has live acorn and stalked barnacles growing on the tips.



Research Permit: 20648

SEAK-0996

Nickname: Cornucopia

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink

Notes: (1995)* Likely male*. Seen in Hawaii*. Commonly seen in bubble net feeding groups.



SEAK-2314

Nickname:

Photographer: Chris Miller

Notes: (2005)* Seen in Prince William Sound and Hawaii*.



SEAK-5053

Nickname:

Photographer: Gastineau Guiding Co.

Notes: (2011)* Seen in Hawaii*.



SEAK-1441

Nickname: Razorback

Photographer: Gastineau Guiding Co.

Notes: (2002)* Likely male*. Seen in Hawaii*.



SEAK-2609

Nickname: Everest

Photographer: Scott Ranger

Notes: (2013) Commonly seen in bubble net feeding groups.



Research Permit: 14122

SEAK-0954

Nickname: Ichthus

Photographer: Flip Nicklin

Notes: (1995)* Seen in Hawaii*. Known male°.



JF-149

Nickname: Macarena

Photographer: Jayleen Bydlon

Notes: Calf in 2020 to Sasha (SEAK-1879). Sasha and Macarena are both dances (see what we did there). Seen in Prince William Sound in 2022*.



Research Permit: 14245

SEAK-2173 (Calf)

Nickname: Caldera

Photographer: John Moran

Notes: Calf in 2007 to Crater (SEAK-0924). Seen in Prince William Sound and Kodiak*. Photo on the LEFT is from 2007 as a calf and photo on the RIGHT is from 2019 as a 12 year old. Look how much these flukes have changed!



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SEAK-2173 (Adult)

Nickname: Caldera

Photographer: Heidi Pearson

Collected under MMHSRP Permit: 18786-02



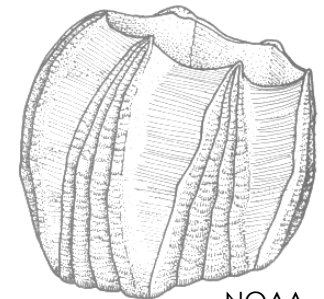
Embedded in whale skin



Top view



Underside view



NOAA

Coronula diadema (a species of acorn barnacle)

These barnacles are found ONLY on humpback whales. They settle and colonize on the tips of flukes (like the right fluke of Caldera, SEAK-2173, above) and on the lower jaw, ventral grooves, and the trailing edges of their pectoral fins. They may be useful in defense against killer whales or for competition between males... This symbiotic relationship may just be the humpback whale version of brass knuckles.

Some White

-the border collies-





SEAK-2006

Nickname: Magma

Photographer: Gastineau Guiding Co.

Notes: (2003)* Known female°. Stays late and named for often being seen with "Crater" (SEAK-0924).



Research Permit: 14296

SEAK-1612

Nickname: Storm

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink

Notes: (1996)* Seen in Hawaii*.



SEAK-1124

Nickname: Apollo 11

Photographer: Bri Pettie

Notes: (1988)* Seen in Hawaii*.



Research Permit: 14245

SEAK-0266

Nickname:

Photographer: Fletcher Sewall

Notes: (1986)* Seen in Hawaii*.



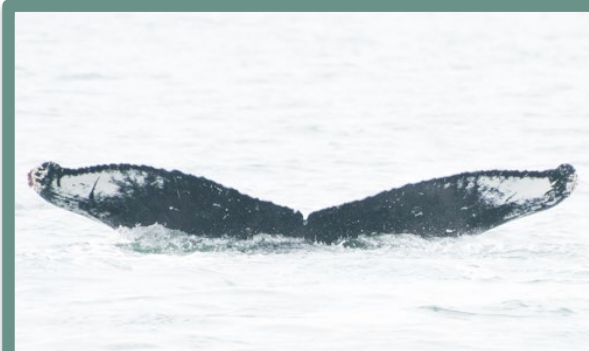
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SEAK-2171

Nickname: Hilda

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink

Notes: (2007) Known male°. Seen in Hawaii*.



SEAK-2585

Nickname: Mist-ical

Photographer: Gastineau Guiding Co.

Notes: (2017) Seen in Hawaii*.



Research Permit: 14245

SEAK-0453

Nickname: Notcho Libre

Photographer: John Moran

Notes: (1997)* Seen in Hawaii*. Notch scar is consistent with past entanglement. Commonly seen in bubble net feeding groups.



SEAK-2427

Nickname: Chardonnay

Photographer: Gastineau Guiding Co.

Notes: (2009) Seen in Hawaii*. Likely female*.



SEAK-1709

Nickname:

Photographer: Gastineau Guiding Co.

Notes: (2003)* Seen in Hawaii*.



SEAK-2603

Nickname: Ninotchka

Photographer: Ron Chambers

Notes: (2004)* Seen in Hawaii*.



SEAK-1852

Nickname:

Photographer: Harshraj Ghai

Notes: (1994)* Seen in Hawaii*. Likely male*.



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SEAK-1167

Nickname: Maltease

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink

Notes: (1988)* Seen in Hawaii*. Likely male*.

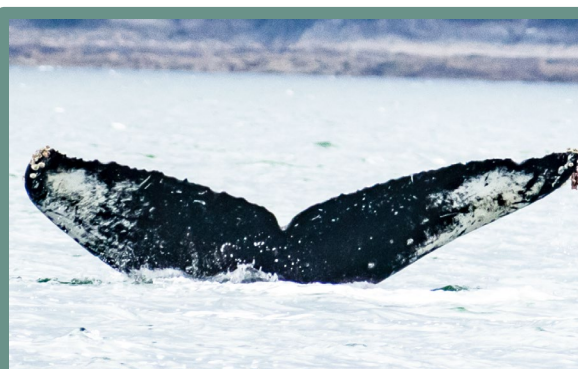


SEAK-2440

Nickname: Eyebright

Photographer: Gastineau Guiding Co.

Notes: (2003)* Seen in Hawaii*.

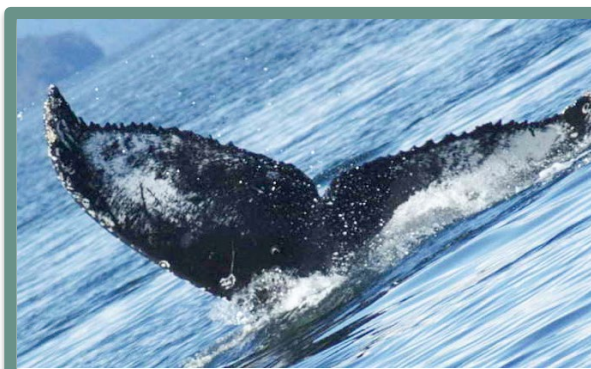


SEAK-5483

Nickname:

Photographer: Gastineau Guiding Co.

Notes: (2015)*



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SEAK-2144

Nickname:

Photographer: John Moran

Notes: (2007) Seen in British Columbia and Hawaii*.



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SEAK-1373

Nickname:

Photographer: Karson Coutre

Notes: (2001)* Seen in Prince William Sound and Mexico*. Likely male*.



Research Permit: 14296

SEAK-2258

Nickname: Combover

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink

Notes: (2008)* Seen in Hawaii*. Known male°.



SEAK-2606

Nickname:

Photographer: Gastineau Guiding Co.

Notes: (2014)* Seen in Hawaii*.



JF-116

Nickname:

Photographer: Gastineau Guiding Co.

Notes: Calf in 2012.

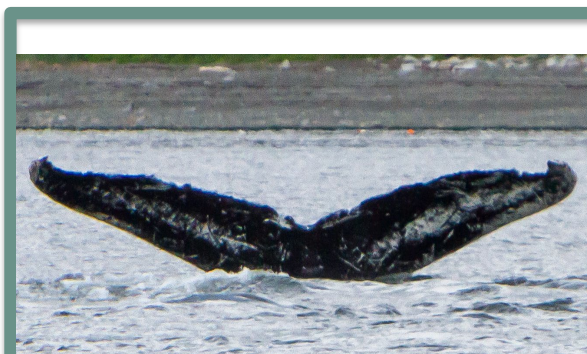


JF-117

Nickname:

Photographer: Mel Platt

Notes: Calf in 2014.

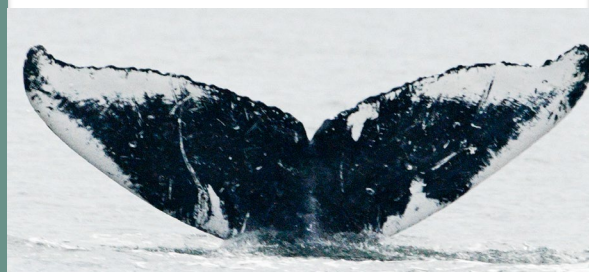


SEAK-0318

Nickname:

Photographer: Scott Ranger

Notes: (1995)* Seen in Hawaii*.
Known male°.



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SEAK-2565

Nickname:

Photographer: Heidi Pearson

Notes: (2015)*



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SEAK-1234

Nickname: Van Bubbles

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink

Notes: (1994)* Seen in Hawaii*.
Likely male*. Commonly seen in
bubble net feeding groups.



SEAK-1569

Nickname:

Photographer: Gastineau Guiding Co.

Notes: (1993)* Seen in Hawaii*.
Likely male*.



SEAK-2468

Nickname: Even Steven

Photographer: Gastineau Guiding Co.

Notes: (2001)* Seen in Hawaii*. Seen in bubble net feeding groups.



Research Permit: 20648

SEAK-2669

Nickname:

Photographer: Heidi Pearson

Notes: (2013)* Seen in bubble net feeding groups.



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SEAK-1082

Nickname: Morey

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink

Notes: (1993)* Seen in Hawaii*. Has been seen in Juneau late in the winter.



SEAK-2534

Nickname: Snow White

Photographer: Gastineau Guiding Co.

Notes: (2012)



SEAK-0545

Nickname: Rubberlips

Photographer: Gastineau Guiding Co.

Notes: (1987)* First ever humpback to be tagged (in 1970s). Seen in Hawaii* Likely male*. Commonly seen in bubble net feeding groups.



SEAK-1504

Nickname: Jomas

Photographer: Maisie Wong

Notes: (2004)* Seen in Hawaii*. Likely male*.



JF-119 (Calf)

Nickname: Kelp

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink

Notes: Calf in 2009 to Barnacles (SEAK-2070). Seen in Hawaii*. Known male°. The photo on the LEFT is him as a calf in 2009 and the photo in the MIDDLE is him 13 years old and shows an example of how calf flukes change.



JF-119 (Adult)

Nickname: Kelp

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink



JF-119 (Dorsal fin)

Nickname: Kelp

Photographer: Heidi Pearson

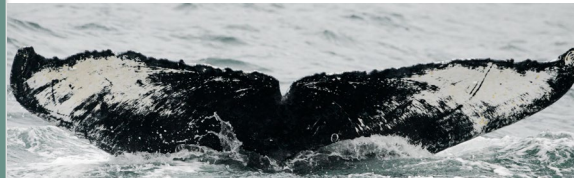


SEAK-1609

Nickname:

Photographer: Heidi Pearson

Notes: (2020)



SEAK-2622

Nickname: Spirit

Photographer: Heidi Pearson

Notes: (2008)* Seen in Hawaii*.

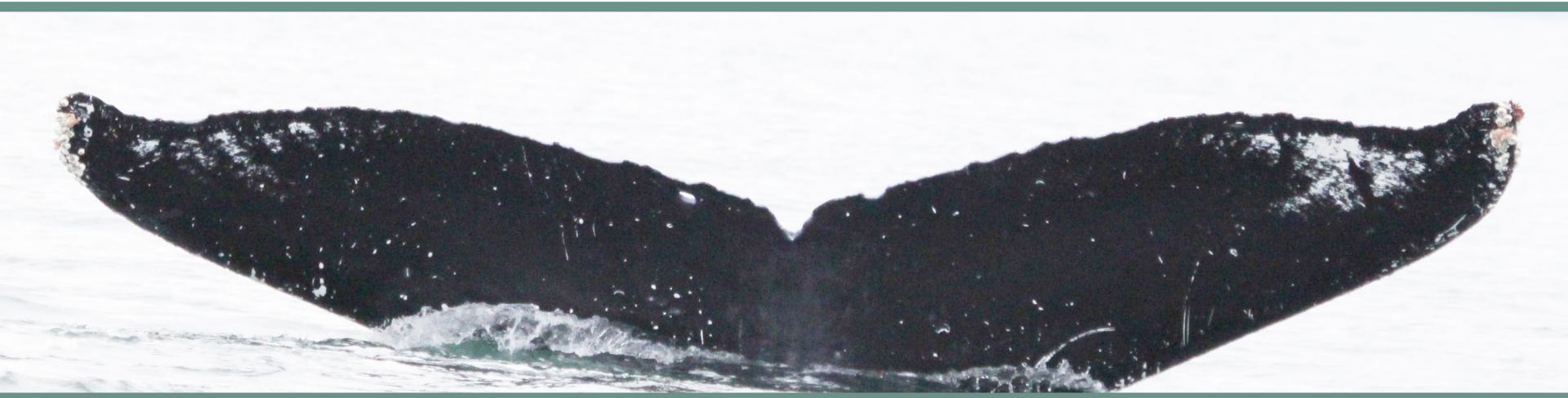


Palatal Rete

A *rete mirabile* (Latin for "wonderful net") in the mouth. It is a highly vascularized organ that works as a counter-current heat exchanger and helps baleen whales preserve and lose heat, as needed.

Tiny Bit of White

-the dippin' dots-





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SEAK-2557

Nickname: Bohemian

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink

Notes: (2011) Known male°. Seen in Hawaii*. This handsome fellow is the cover whale for this version of the catalog.



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SEAK-1465

Nickname: Parcheesy

Photographer: Heidi Pearson

Notes: (1993)* Seen in Hawaii*. Likely male*. Commonly seen in bubble net feeding groups.



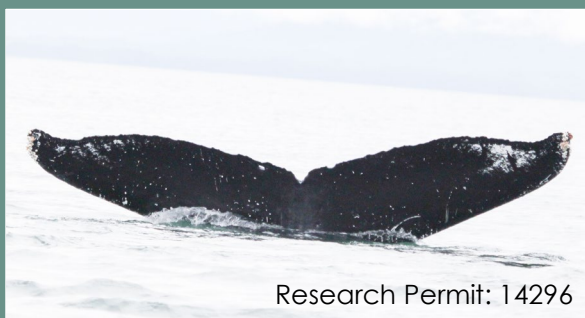
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SEAK-0397

Nickname: Flying W

Photographer: Heidi Pearson

Notes: (1990)* Seen in Hawaii*. Likely female*. Commonly seen in bubble net feeding groups.



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SEAK-1783

Nickname: Tucker

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink

Notes: (2006) Known female°. Tends to have really low dives where she tucks her flukes when she dives.



Research Permit: 20648

SEAK-1783 (Dorsal fin)

Nickname: Tucker

Photographer: Heidi Pearson



Research Permit: 14122

SEAK-2354

Nickname:

Photographer: Flip Nicklin

Notes: (2003)* Seen in Hawaii*. Likely female*.



Research Permit: 14296

SEAK-0284

Nickname: Eufrazzsia

Photographer: Bryce Mecum

Notes: (1985)* Seen in Hawaii*.



SEAK-2147

Nickname: Moon Cheese

Photographer: Jayleen Bydlon

Notes: (1987)* Known female° and a rather large whale. Named a while back by a very special (then) 8 year old – nickname symbolism remains unknown.



Research Permit: 20648

SEAK-2147 (Dorsal fin)

Nickname: Moon Cheese

Photographer: Heidi Pearson



Research Permit: 14245

SEAK-1820

Nickname: Nibblet

Photographer: John Moran

Notes: (2004)* Known female° and a really large whale! Has a really pronounced, and sometimes wobbly dorsal fin. Seen in Hawaii*. Photo in the MIDDLE is a throw back to when Nibblet had a nibblet – a little bit of skin on her trailing edge. That pesky fleshy nibblet has since fallen off.



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SEAK-1820 (TBT 2020)

Nickname: Nibblet

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink



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SEAK-1820 (Dorsal fin)

Nickname: Nibblet

Photographer: Heidi Pearson



Research Permit: 14296

SEAK-0536

Nickname:

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink

Notes: (2003)* Seen in Hawaii*.



SEAK-1057

Nickname:

Photographer: Charles White

Notes: Calf in 1991*. Seen in Hawaii*. Has been reported in Alaska with calves of her own*.



Research Permit: 20648

SEAK-0549

Nickname:

Photographer: Heidi Pearson

Notes: (1986)* Seen in Hawaii*. Likely female*.



SEAK-2600

Nickname:

Photographer: Gastineau Guiding Co.

Notes: (2014)* Likely female*.



Research Permit: 14245

SEAK-2046

Nickname:

Photographer: John Moran

Notes: (2004)* Seen in Hawaii*. Likely female*.



Research Permit: 20648

SEAK-1061

Nickname: Merlot

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink

Notes: (1994)* Seen in Hawaii*. Likely male*. Commonly seen in bubble net feeding groups.



Research Permit: 14122

SEAK-1817

Nickname:

Photographer: Flip Nicklin

Notes: (2004)* Seen in Hawaii*.
Likely male*.



Research Permit: 14245

SEAK-1445

Nickname: Pinto

Photographer: John Moran

Notes: (1995)* Seen in Hawaii*.



SEAK-1770

Nickname: Auke

Photographer: Brian Cramer

Notes: (2004)* Seen in Hawaii*.
Known male°. Seen feeding in the
inner shallows of Auke Bay Harbor.



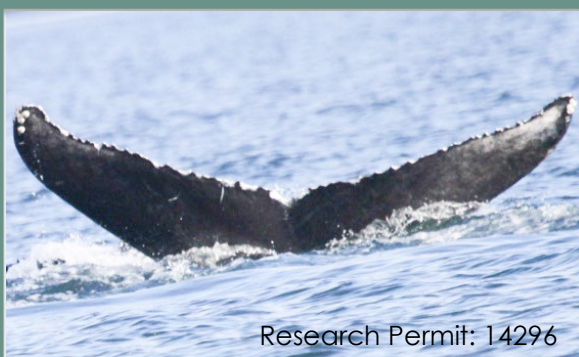
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SEAK-0481

Nickname:

Photographer: John Moran

Notes: (1986)* Seen in Hawaii*.
Likely female*.



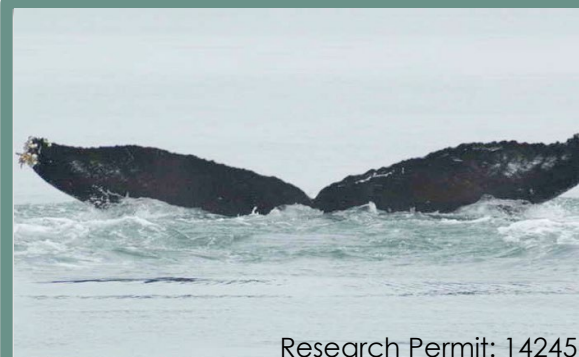
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SEAK-2551

Nickname:

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink

Notes: Calf in 2013 to Marquita
(SEAK-0219).



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SEAK-2146

Nickname:

Photographer: John Moran

Notes: (2005)* Seen in Hawaii*.



Research Permit: 14296

SEAK-0547

Nickname: Cimmerian

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink

Notes: (1982)* Seen in Hawaii*. Likely male*.



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SEAK-1322

Nickname: Smuilen

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink

Notes: (2005)* Seen in Hawaii*. Likely female*. Commonly seen in bubble net feeding groups.



SEAK-0879

Nickname:

Photographer: Gastineau Guiding Co.

Notes: (1996)* Known male°.



Research Permit: 14245

SEAK-0924

Nickname: Crater

Photographer: John Moran

Notes: (1982)* Likely female. Seen in Hawaii*. Her scar is over 20 years old in this picture. Was often seen with "Magma" (SEAK-2006). Not been seen anywhere* since 2015 (RIP?).



SEAK-1907

Nickname: Inertia

Photographer: Gastineau Guiding Co.

Notes: (2005)* Known female°. She is known to have survived a vessel strike and has had two separate calves that have each survived vessel strikes.



Research Permit: 14296

SEAK-1907 (Dorsal fin)

Nickname: Inertia

Photographer: Heidi Pearson



SEAK-2037

Nickname: Voldemort

Photographer: Scott Ranger

Notes: (2011) Likely male*.



SEAK-5170

Nickname:

Photographer: Heidi Pearson

Notes: (2010)*



SEAK-2638

Nickname: Dakine

Photographer: Heidi Pearson

Notes: (2010)* Seen in Hawaii*.



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SEAK-1783_calf_2021

Nickname: Torpedo

Photographer: Heidi Pearson

Notes: Calf in 2021 to Tucker (SEAK-1783).

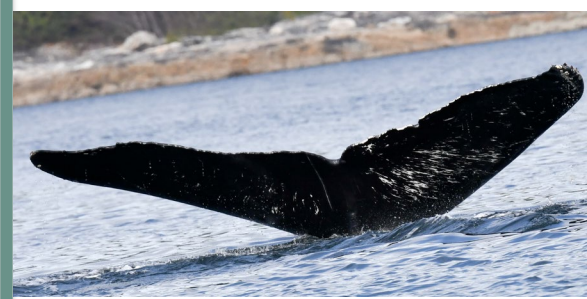


SEAK-2070_calf_2019

Nickname: Acorn

Photographer: Scott Ranger

Notes: Calf in 2019 to Barnacles (SEAK-2070). Acorn, as in the acorn barnacles that live on whales.



Research Permit: 20648

SEAK-1542

Nickname:

Photographer: Heidi Pearson

Notes: (1995)* Seen in Hawaii*.



SEAK-1366

Nickname:

Photographer: Gastineau Guiding Co.

Notes: (2003)* Seen in Hawaii*.



Research Permit: 20648

SEAK-2584

Nickname: Mustard

Photographer: Heidi Pearson

Notes: (2014) Seen in Hawaii*.



SEAK-1200

Nickname:

Photographer: Scott Ranger

Notes: (1994)* Seen in Hawaii*.
Likely male*.



Research Permit: 20648

SEAK-0187

Nickname:

Photographer: Heidi Pearson

Notes: (2000)* Likely male*.



Research Permit: 14245

SEAK-1973

Nickname:

Photographer: John Moran

Notes: (1972)* Seen in Hawaii* Early
sighting in Lynn Canal - One of the
first whales to be cataloged.



SEAK-1514

Nickname: Puhina

Photographer: Scott Ranger

Notes: (1995)* Seen in Hawaii*.
Likely female*.



Research Permit: 20648

JF-123

Nickname: Helix

Photographer: Heidi Pearson

Notes: (2021) Was a juvenile in 2021. Unfortunately, this whale was propped and skegged sometime between June 22 and July 31, 2021. Does not often show flukes, but is easily identified by flank.



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JF-123 (Dorsal fin)

Nickname: Helix

Photographer: Heidi Pearson



Research Permit: 20648

SEAK-2070_calf_2022

Nickname: Limpet

Photographer: Heidi Pearson

Notes: Calf in 2022 to Barnacles (SEAK-2070).

Earplugs for Aging

Documenting a calf or juvenile can tell you the age of an animal (or close to it). Though, Photo ID research is young – it has only been done for the last ~50 years or so, and whales can live much longer. Without sightings, we rely on counting the Growth Layer Groups (yes, like tree rings) in the ear plug after a whale dies to estimate age.

Tympanic bulla
(ear bone)



Photo: Chris Gabriele

Waxy
ear plug



Photo: Chris Gabriele

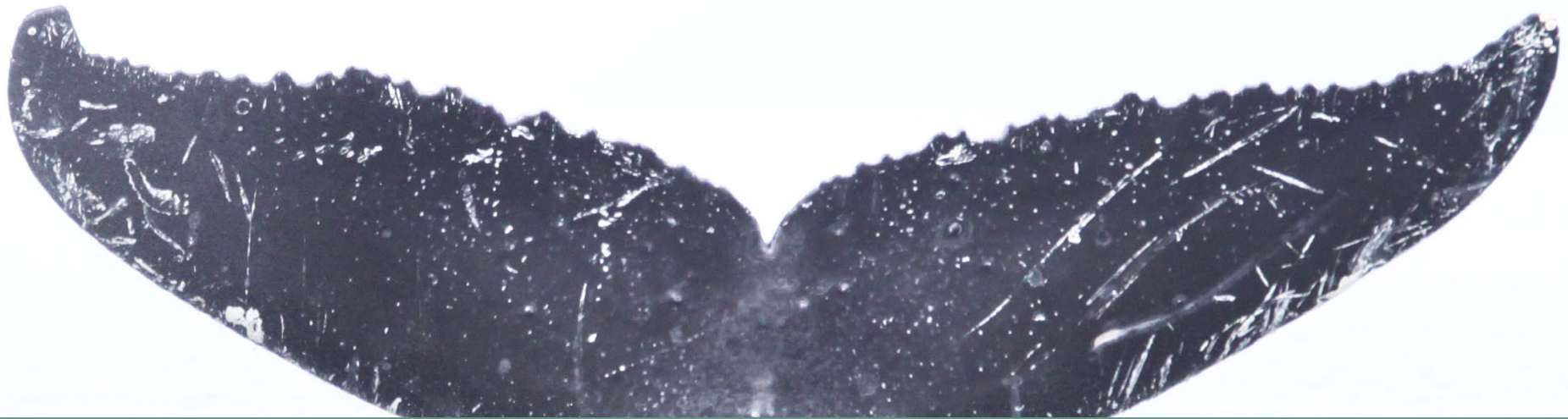


"Max" SEAK-0539

Max was a female humpback whale with Photo ID sightings back to 1975 and several known calves. She died in 2014 in Chatham Strait. Her ear plug was recovered during a NOAA-led necropsy (MMHNSP Permit #932-1905-196). Aging expert, Christine Lockye, estimated she was between 77-84 years when she died.

All Dark – Marked Up

-the scrappers-





SEAK-1476

Nickname: Winter

Photographer: Scott Ranger

Notes: (2005)* Seen in Mexico*.



Research Permit: 14296

SEAK-2070

Nickname: Barnacles

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink

Notes: (2000)* Known female°. She frequents Favorite Channel and has been seen in Juneau late in the winter. Circular scars are from shed acorn barnacles. Mother to at least 3 calves: Kelp, Acorn, and Limpet.



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SEAK-2070 (Dorsal fin)

Nickname: Barnacles

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink

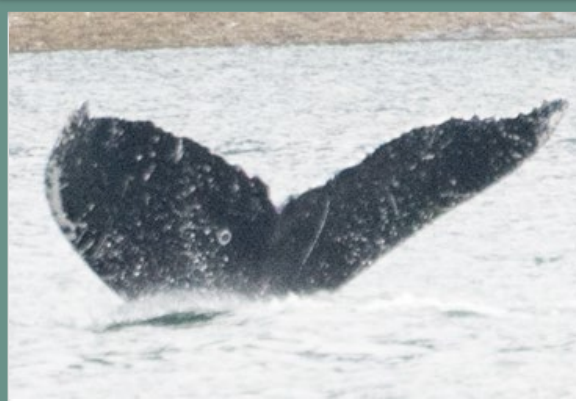


SEAK-0154

Nickname:

Photographer: Gastineau Guiding Co.

Notes: (2005)*



SEAK-1810

Nickname:

Photographer: Gastineau Guiding Co.

Notes: (2004)* Likely male*.



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SEAK-1506

Nickname:

Photographer: Heidi Pearson

Notes: (1997)* Seen in Hawaii*.



SEAK-1247

Nickname:

Photographer: Liz Stahl

Notes: (2004)*



SEAK-1466

Nickname: Big Dipper

Photographer: Gastineau Guiding Co.

Notes: (1995)* Seen in Hawaii*.



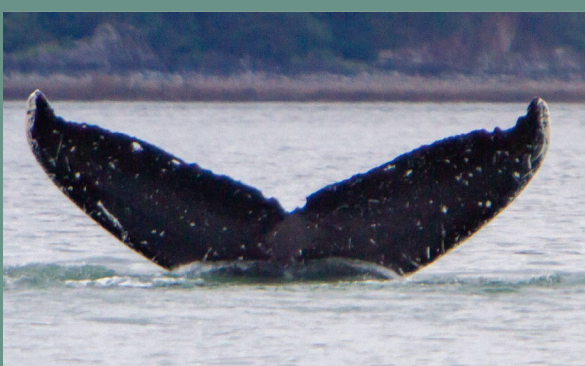
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SEAK-2470

Nickname: Daily

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink

Notes: (2013)



SEAK-0572

Nickname:

Photographer: Scott Ranger

Notes: (1981)* Seen in Hawaii*.



Research Permit: 14296

SEAK-0580

Nickname: Divisidero

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink

Notes: (1986)* Commonly seen in bubble net feeding groups.



Research Permit: 14296

SEAK-1478

Nickname: Skuff

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink

Notes: (2004)* Likely female. Seen in Hawaii*.



SEAK-1844

Nickname:

Photographer: Gastineau Guiding Co.

Notes: (2004)* Seen in Hawaii*. Likely male*.



SEAK-2060

Nickname:

Photographer: Gastineau Guiding Co.

Notes: (2017)*



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JF-128

Nickname:

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink

Notes: (2006)*



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SEAK-0252

Nickname: Slinky

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink

Notes: (1982)* Seen in Hawaii*. Commonly seen in bubble net feeding groups. Likely female*.



SEAK-1850

Nickname:

Photographer: Gastineau Guiding Co.

Notes: (2004)* Seen in Hawaii*.



Research Permit: 14296

SEAK-0985

Nickname:

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink

Notes: (1994)* Seen in Hawaii*.



Research Permit: 14245

SEAK-0219

Nickname: Marquita

Photographer: John Moran

Notes: (1996)* Seen in Hawaii*.
Known female°.



JF-150 (Calf)

Nickname: Smoke

Photographer: Jim Pfitzer

Notes: Calf in 2020 to Flame (SEAK-1538). The photo on the LEFT is a 2020 calf photo and the photo on the RIGHT is a 2021 Juvenile photo from BC, Canada showing a new fluke injury*.



JF-150

Nickname: Smoke

Photographer: Brendon Bissonnette

Notes: Calf in 2020 to Flame (SEAK-1538). The photo on the LEFT is a 2020 calf photo and the photo on the RIGHT is a 2021 Juvenile photo from BC, Canada showing a new fluke injury*.



SEAK-2169

Nickname:

Photographer: Gastineau Guiding Co.

Notes: (2018)



SEAK-1899

Nickname:

Photographer: Gastineau Guiding Co.

Notes: (2005)* Seen in Hawaii*.



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SEAK-1818

Nickname:

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink

Notes: (2011)* Seen in Hawaii*.
Likely female*.



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SEAK-5304

Nickname: Riddler

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink

Notes: (2014) Seen in Mexico*. Known male°. Has a distinct notched dorsal fin and he seems to show up out of nowhere, joining and leaving other groups of whales (aptly named). Often dives without showing flukes.



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SEAK-5304 (Dorsal fin)

Nickname: Riddler

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink



Research Permit: 14296

JF-130

Nickname:

Photographer: Bryce Mecum

Notes: (2013)



Research Permit: 14245

SEAK-1921

Nickname:

Photographer: Fletcher Sewall

Notes: (2008)



Research Permit: 14296

SEAK-1908

Nickname:

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink

Notes: (2005)* Seen in Mexico*.



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SEAK-5460

Nickname:

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink

Notes: (2012)* Seen in Hawaii*.



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SEAK-1391

Nickname: Darwin

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink

Notes: (1996)* Seen in Hawaii*. Likely male*. Commonly seen in bubble net feeding groups and a temp camera tag showed him as the bubble blower.



SEAK-1536

Nickname: Davy Jones

Photographer: Gastineau Guiding Co.

Notes: (1994)* Known male. Died in 2018 near Juneau. Full necropsy by NOAA Fisheries determined: Cause of death = ship strike, estimated 33-39yo from ear plug analysis, and his baleen was collected and shared for educational purposes.

SEAK-1536
Point Young,
Alaska
6/2/2018
MMHSRP
Permit:
18786-02



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SEAK-2348

Nickname: Eyelet

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink

Notes: (2014) Seen in Hawaii*. Known male°. A smaller-sized whale (at least as of 2022), who makes beautiful, tall fluke up dives. Named for the small looking glass on the trailing edge of each of his flukes.

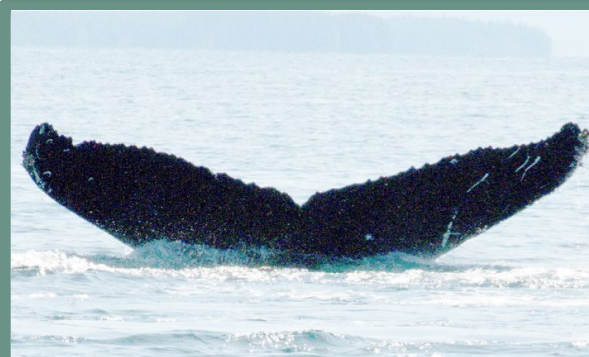


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SEAK-2348

Nickname: Eyelet

Photographer: Heidi Pearson



SEAK-1631

Nickname: Haukai

Photographer: Gastineau Guiding Co.

Notes: (2004)* Seen in Hawaii*.



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SEAK-1671

Nickname: Twin Peaks

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink

Notes: (2005)* Seen in Mexico*. Likely female*.



SEAK-2170

Nickname: Vendetta

Photographer: Scott Ranger

Notes: (2005)* Seen in Hawaii*.



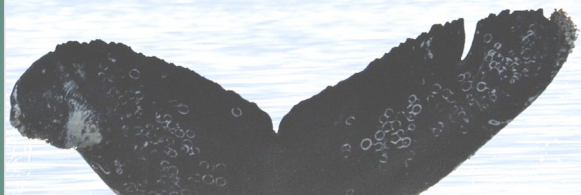
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SEAK-1474

Nickname:

Photographer: Heidi Pearson

Notes: (2004)*



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SEAK-1405

Nickname: Amorphe

Photographer: Heidi Pearson

Notes: (2009)* Seen in Mexico*. Injuries are consistent with a shed and healed entanglement.



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JF-134

Nickname:

Photographer: Heidi Pearson

Notes: (2015)



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SEAK-2577

Nickname:

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink

Notes: (1988)* Seen in Hawaii*.



Research Permit: 20648

SEAK-1784

Nickname:

Photographer: Heidi Pearson

Notes: (2005)* Seen in Hawaii*. Known male°.



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JF-136

Nickname: Goomba

Photographer: Heidi Pearson

Notes: (2019)* Known male°.



Research Permit: 20648

SEAK-5471

Nickname: Tie Fighter

Photographer: Heidi Pearson

Notes: (2021)*



Research Permit: 20648

SEAK-5203

Nickname: Tussle

Photographer: Heidi Pearson

Notes: (2017)* Seen in Hawaii*. Has an obvious old entanglement scar on the base of the tail stock and a prop scars on the right flank.



Research Permit: 20648

SEAK-5203 (Tail stock)

Nickname: Tussle

Photographer: Heidi Pearson



SEAK-1795

Nickname: Scrimshaw

Photographer: Scott Ranger

Notes: (2005)* Seen in Hawaii*. Likely female*.

All Dark – Few Markings

-the incognitos-





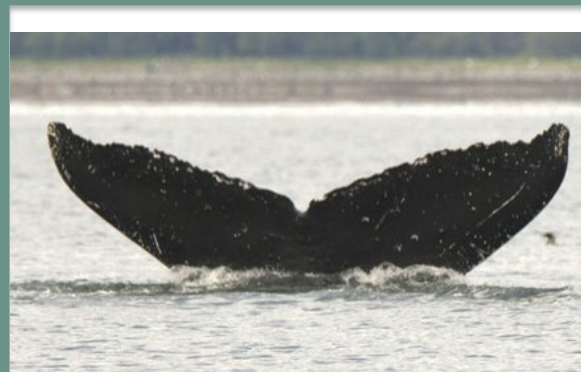
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SEAK-1242

Nickname:

Photographer: John Moran

Notes: (2004)*



SEAK-1968

Nickname: Neilio

Photographer: Bri Pettie

Notes: (2003)* Seen in Hawaii*.



Research Permit: 14296

SEAK-2267

Nickname:

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink

Notes: (2002)* Likely male*.



Research Permit: 14296

SEAK-2259

Nickname: Fleur

Photographer: Karson Coutre

Notes: (2007)* Known female°.



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SEAK-2259 (Dorsal fin)

Nickname: Fleur

Photographer: Heidi Pearson



Research Permit: 14245

SEAK-2111

Nickname:

Photographer: John Moran

Notes: (2004)* Seen in Hawaii*.
Seen in Juneau late in the season.



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SEAK-1789

Nickname: ZeroTime

Photographer: Heidi Pearson

Notes: (1995)* Likely female*.



Research Permit: 14296

SEAK-2460

Nickname: Popeye

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink

Notes: (2014) Seen in Hawaii*.
Likely male*.



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SEAK-1533

Nickname:

Photographer: Heidi Pearson

Notes: (2006) Seen in Hawaii*.



Research Permit: 20648

SEAK-0883

Nickname:

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink

Notes: (2004)* Likely female*.



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SEAK-0229

Nickname: Angstrom

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink

Notes: (1997)* Seen in Hawaii*.
Likely female*.



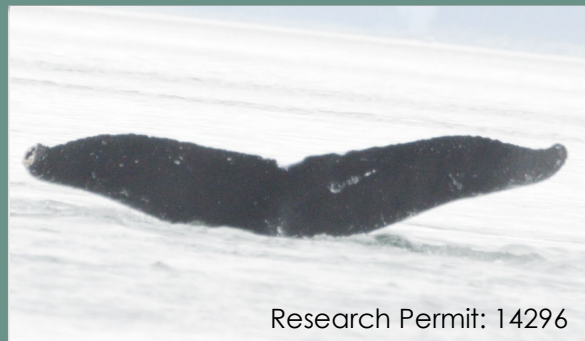
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SEAK-0441

Nickname: Festus

Photographer: John Moran

Notes: (1987)* Seen in Hawaii*
Known male. Died in 2016, after a
long-term infection.



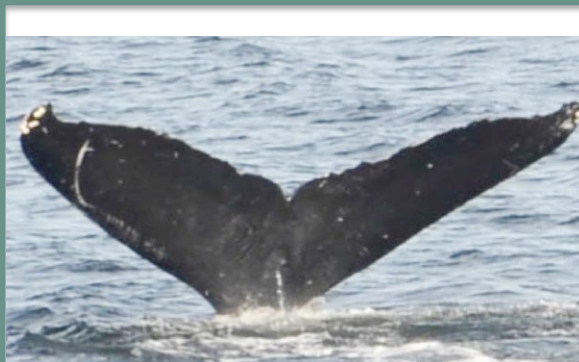
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SEAK-1812

Nickname: Comet

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink

Notes: (2004)* Seen in Hawaii*. Likely female*.



JF-138

Nickname:

Photographer: Mike Justa

Notes: (2013)



Research Permit: 14245

SEAK-0217

Nickname: Darktanion

Photographer: John Moran

Notes: (1997)* Seen in Hawaii*. Likely male*. Commonly seen in bubble net feeding groups.



SEAK-1753

Nickname:

Photographer: Scott Ranger

Notes: (1997)*



SEAK-2570

Nickname: Siwash

Photographer: Alex Hodgton

Notes: (2004)* Seen in Hawaii*.



Research Permit: 14296

SEAK-0590

Nickname: Heart

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink

Notes: (1986) Seen in Hawaii*. Known male*. Commonly seen in bubble net feeding groups.



Research Permit: 14296

SEAK-0488

Nickname:

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink

Notes: (1993)* Likely female*.



Research Permit: 14296

SEAK-1703

Nickname: Bullethole

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink

Notes: (1993)* Seen in Hawaii*. Known female°. Commonly seen in bubble net feeding groups and stays late in the winter. Named for the small looking glass on the trailing edge of the fluke.



Research Permit: 20648

SEAK-1703 (Dorsal fin)

Nickname: Bullethole

Photographer: Heidi Pearson



Research Permit: 14296

SEAK-1447

Nickname: Juneauite

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink

Notes: (2004)* Seen in Hawaii*. Known female°. Very commonly seen in the Juneau area and named for being the most frequently sighted whale in Juneau in the 2007 survey season. Survived a vessel strike in 2019.

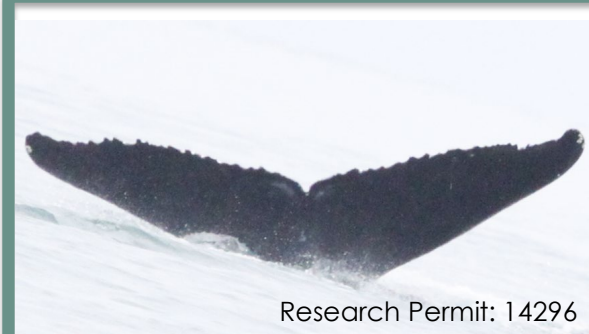


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SEAK-1447 (Dorsal fin)

Nickname: Juneauite

Photographer: Heidi Pearson



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SEAK-1447_calf_2013

Nickname: Douglas

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink

Notes: Calf in 2013 to Juneauite (SEAK-1447).



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SEAK-2260 (Calf)

Nickname: Fissure

Photographer: John Moran

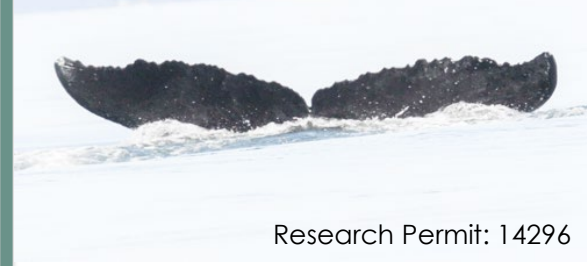
Notes: Calf in 2009 to Crack (SEAK-1075). Photo on the LEFT is from 2008 as a calf and photo on the RIGHT is from 2019 as a 11 year old.



SEAK-2260 (Adult)

Nickname: Fissure

Photographer: Mike Justa



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SEAK-1605

Nickname: Ruffles

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink

Notes: (2004)* Often seen early in the season. Likely female*.



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SEAK-1628

Nickname: Mimilo

Photographer: Heidi Pearson

Notes: (2004)* Seen in Hawaii*. Likely male*.



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SEAK-0181

Nickname: Cabernet Sauvignon

Photographer: Heidi Pearson

Notes: (1994)* Seen in Hawaii*. Likely female*.



SEAK-2152

Nickname:

Photographer: Jay Beedle

Notes: Calf in 2007.



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SEAK-5307

Nickname:

Photographer: Bryce Mecum

Notes: (2014) Seen in Hawaii*.



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SEAK-1044

Nickname: Buzz

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink

Notes: (1985)* Seen in Hawaii*.
Likely female*.



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SEAK-0204

Nickname: Stamp

Photographer: Heidi Pearson

Notes: (1988)* Seen in Hawaii*.
Likely female*. Commonly seen in
bubble net feeding groups.



Research Permit: 14245

SEAK-0868

Nickname:

Photographer: John Moran

Notes: (1993)* Seen in Hawaii*.



Research Permit: 20648

SEAK-0898

Nickname:

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink

Notes: (1988)* Seen in Hawaii*.
Likely female*. Commonly seen in
bubble net feeding groups.



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SEAK-0461

Nickname:

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink

Notes: (2004)* Seen in Hawaii*.
Likely female*.



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SEAK-1306

Nickname: Pizza

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink

Notes: (2004)* Seen in Hawaii*. Known male°. Named for the tiny pizza slice gone from his right fluke.



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SEAK-1306 (Dorsal fin)

Nickname: Pizza

Photographer: Heidi Pearson



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SEAK-1075

Nickname: Crack

Photographer: Johanna Vollenweider

Notes: (2004)* Known female.



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SEAK-0937

Nickname:

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink

Notes: (2004)* Seen in Hawaii*. Likely male*. Commonly seen in bubble net feeding groups.



SEAK-0570

Nickname:

Photographer: Gastineau Guiding Co.

Notes: (1987)* Seen in Hawaii*.

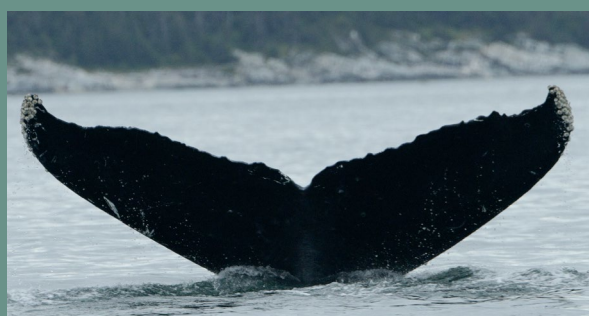


SEAK-2066

Nickname:

Photographer: Gastineau Guiding Co.

Notes: (2002)* Seen in Hawaii*.



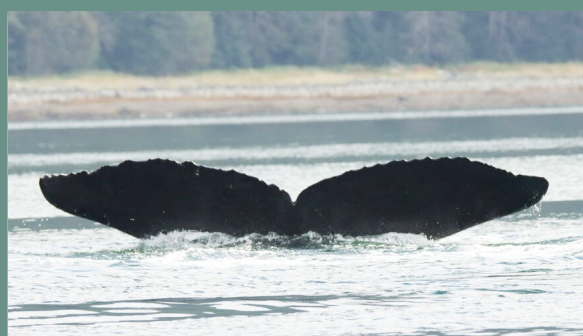
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SEAK-1205

Nickname:

Photographer: Heidi Pearson

Notes: (1986)* Seen in Hawaii*. Likely male*.



SEAK-1593

Nickname: Mysid

Photographer: Bri Pettie

Notes: (1993)* Likely female*.



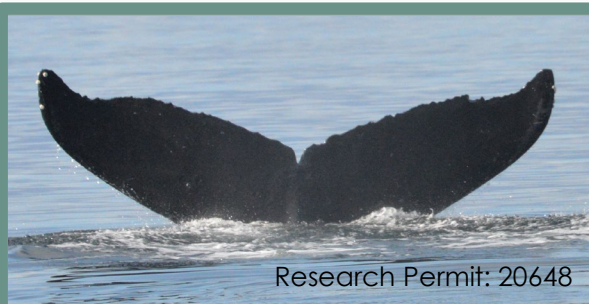
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Nickname:

Photographer: Heidi Pearson

Notes: (2004)* Seen in Hawaii*.



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SEAK-2156

Nickname: Tenakee Turkey

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink

Notes: (2016)* Likely male*. Seen in Hawaii*. Was successfully disentangled from fishing gear by the NOAA trained Tenakee Large Whale Entanglement Response Team in 2020.



SEAK-1716

Nickname: Crozet

Photographer: Bri Pettie

Notes: (1997)* Seen in Hawaii*. Likely female*.



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SEAK-2336

Nickname:

Photographer: Heidi Pearson

Notes: (2015)



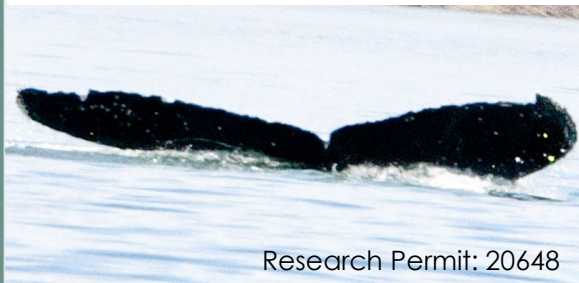
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JF-144

Nickname: Enigma

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink

Notes: (2014)* Likely male*. See highlight on Enigma in the catalog intro.



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SEAK-5064

Nickname:

Photographer: Heidi Pearson

Notes: (2004)*



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SEAK-1336

Nickname:

Photographer: John Moran

Notes: (2003)* Likely female*.



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JF-145

Nickname:

Photographer: Heidi Pearson

Notes: (2020)



Research Permit: 14296

SEAK-0193

Nickname:

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink

Notes: (2004)* Likely female*.



SEAK-2407

Nickname:

Photographer: Jayleen Bydlon

Notes: (2004)*



Research Permit: 14296

SEAK-1429

Nickname: Victorious

Photographer: Suzie Teerlink

Notes: (2002)* Seen in Prince William Sound and Hawaii*. Likely female*.



JF-146

Nickname:

Photographer: Liz Stahl

Notes: (2009)



SEAK-5079

Nickname: Stumpy

Photographer: Sheila Pitts

Notes: (2009) Seen in Hawaii*. Right fluke missing since at least 2009, though not been seen anywhere* since 2015 (RIP?).



SEAK-0556

Nickname:

Photographer: Jay Beedle

Notes: (1996)* Likely female*. Lost the portion of her right fluke between 2005 and 2006*.

What's in a name...

Some nicknames are from other catalogs, for example, many come from Alaska Whale Foundation - known for their creative and quirky whale names. Some come from our local tour industry, who get to know these whales so well. Some come from field names on research surveys where an off-hand descriptor accidentally stuck. And some of the newer names came from the Montessori Borealis Elementary students in Ms. Becca's Grade 1-3 Classroom.

If you have a nickname to suggest, feel free to share. Not all suggestions are adopted, but it will definitely be considered! The ground rules for naming are: 1) Each whale only gets one Juneau Flukes nickname. 2) Names need to be respectful and non-offensive. 3) No naming whales after yourself or people you know (the whales belong to everyone and no one).

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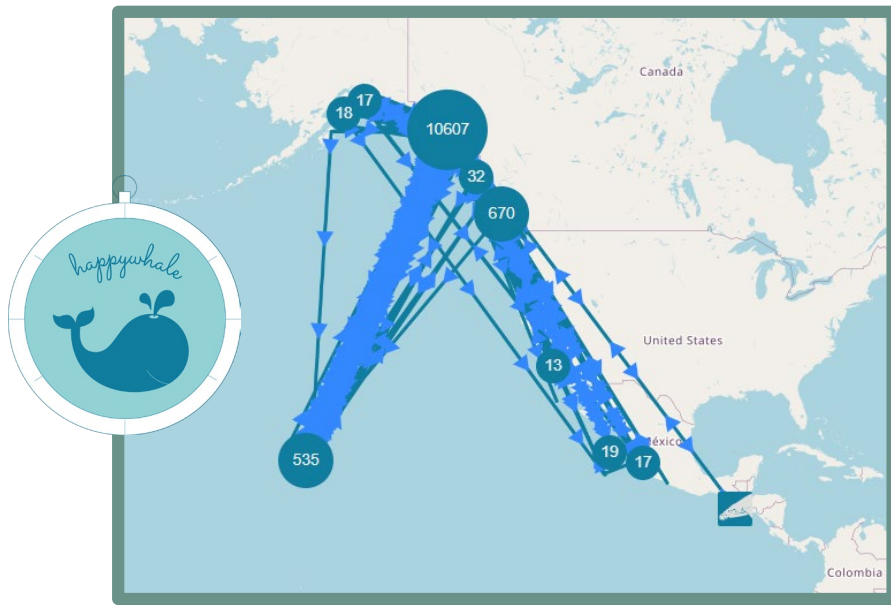
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JF-##

JF IDs are ones cataloged here (Juneau Flukes) that are not in the Southeast Alaska Catalog.

ID_calf_YEAR

Calf IDs are generally given using their mother's ID numbers and their year of birth. If/when that whale is seen in a later year, it is given it's own SEAK or JF number.



Thank you!

Mahalo!

Gunalchéesh!

Gracias!

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