

How to Speak whale



The blow

Whales blow excess water 3-5m (10-17 ft) into the air when they rise to the surface to breath.



The breach

This 30 tonne (33 short ton) animal can launch itself out of the water and fall backwards with a slap!



The sounding

As they slip forward in the water, whales leave their tails out of the water and hang vertically



The slap

The whales have plenty of energy to leap up and thump their fins and flukes up to 30 times in just 5 minutes




Spy Hopping


They poke their heads out of the water to take a look around them to see what is going on and orient themselves with the shoreline





TETIAROA society

SUSTAINABILITY IN ACTION

Stay submerged for 15 minutes on average 

 Cruising speed : 8-10 km/h or 5-6 mph
Top speed : 30 km/h or 18.5 mph

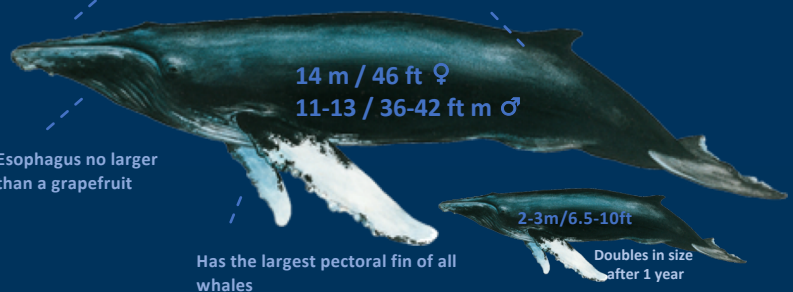
About 45 to 50 yrs (no maximum age recorded) 

 Do not have any teeth




Has tubercles and sensory hairs.

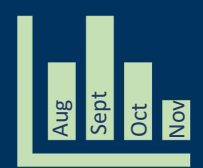
Hump from which it gets its name



Krill is the main food of this whale. Krill are less than 7 cm (2.8 in) long! That's why they need to eat 1,600 kg (3,500 lbs) per day!

Gestates for 11 months and stays with mom for 1 year


Can weigh up to 40 tonnes (44 short tons). That's more than 5 elephants!



Whale season on Tetiaroa



- *Has the most complex song in the animal kingdom
- *Only males sing (the song can be heard up to 30km (18.5 mi) away)
- *Grunts, clicks, squeaks, hisses, trills, whistles, and pulses are some of the notes that make up its songs
- *They can tirelessly sing for minutes at a time (54 minutes recorded maximum)
- *Changes the song every year