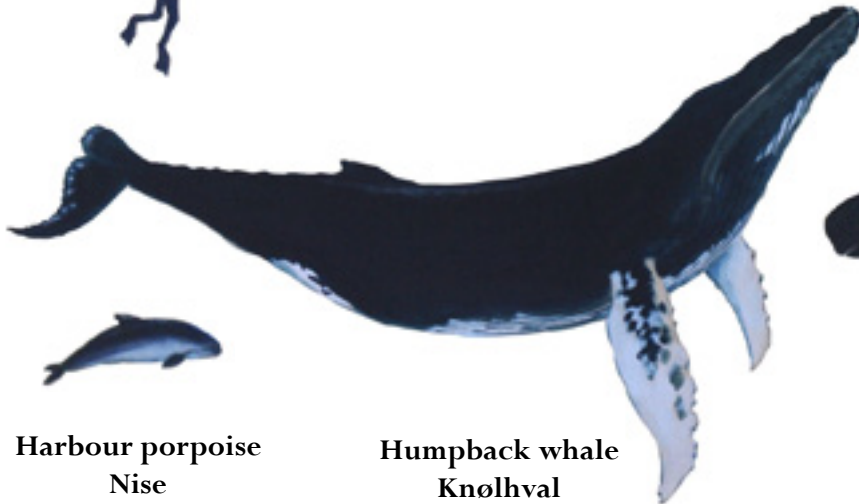


Whales and Dolphins off Andøya



Sperm whale
Spermasettthval
Physeter macrocephalus
Max. 18.3 m



Harbour porpoise
Nise
Phocoena phocoena
Max 1.9 m.

Humpback whale
Knølhval
Megaptera novaeangliae
Max 18 m.



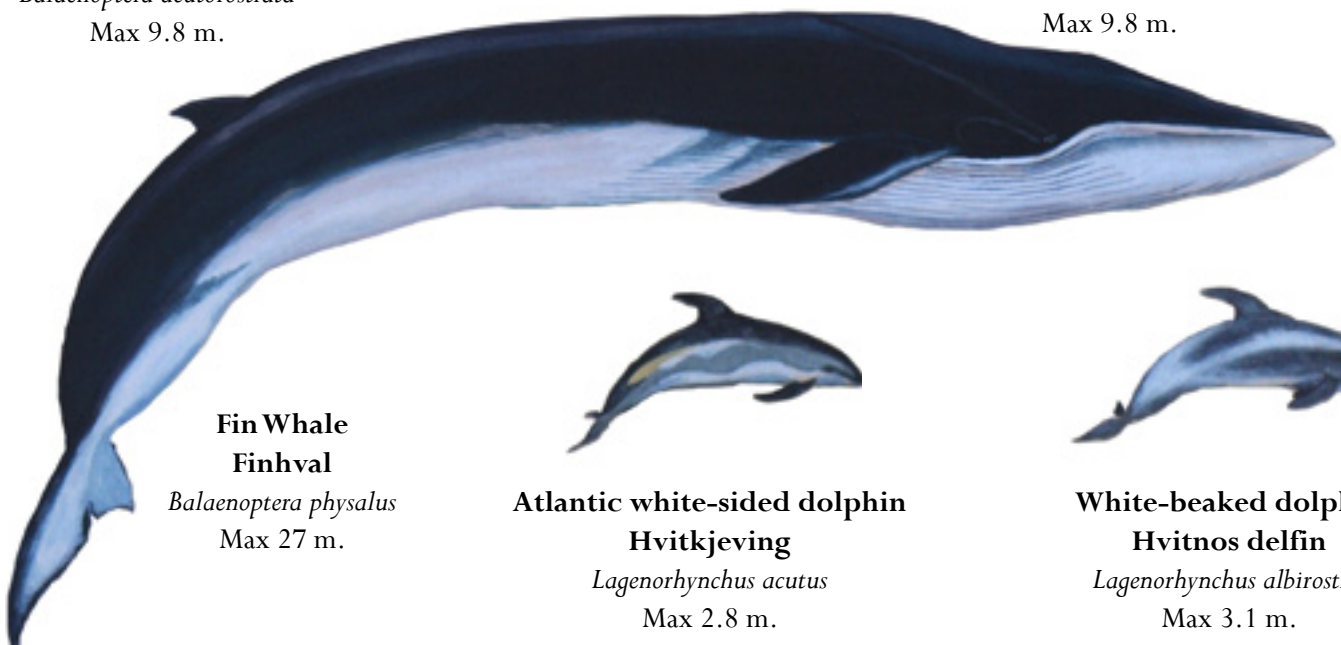
Long-finned pilot whale
Grindhval
Globicephala melas
Max 7.6 m.



Minke whale
Vågehval
Balaenoptera acutorostrata
Max 9.8 m.



Killer whale
Spekkhogger
Orcinus orca
Max 9.8 m.



Fin Whale
Finhval
Balaenoptera physalus
Max 27 m.

Atlantic white-sided dolphin
Hvitkjeving
Lagenorhynchus acutus
Max 2.8 m.

White-beaked dolphin
Hvitnos delfin
Lagenorhynchus albirostris
Max 3.1 m.

Whale Blow Chart



Sperm whale

Blow

Diving



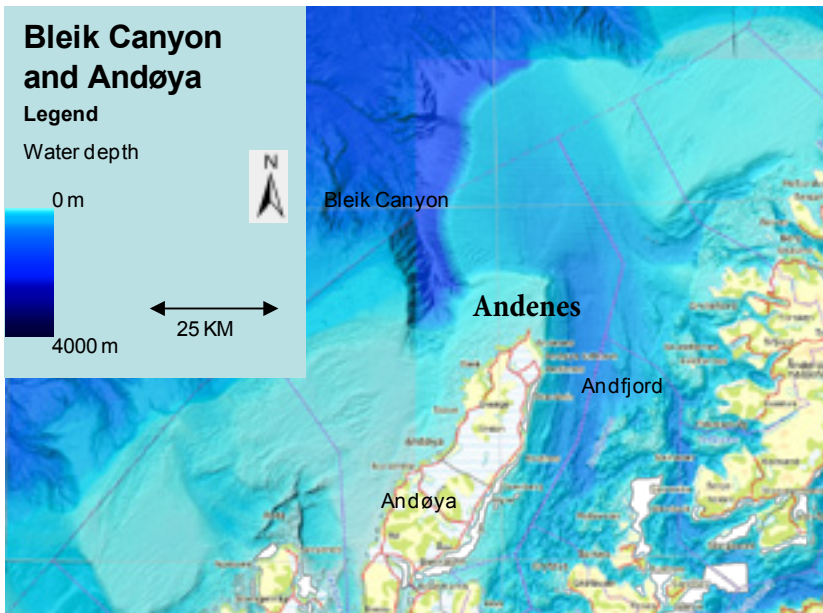
Killer whale

Blow/surface behaviour

Humpback whale

Diving

The Area



The waters off Andøya are very rich and diverse due to the confluence of water masses and the special topography.

The Bleik Canyon lies only 8 nautical miles off Andenes, and reaches a depth of 1100m, Andfjord has a maximum depth of 500 m.

All the species present in the area can be seen all year round, but male sperm whales are the most commonly seen.

During the winter, the great abundance of herring attracts also big aggregations of killer, humpback and fin whales.

REPORT A SIGHTING!!

Please report cetacean sightings and strandings in Norway (species, number and location) to:

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