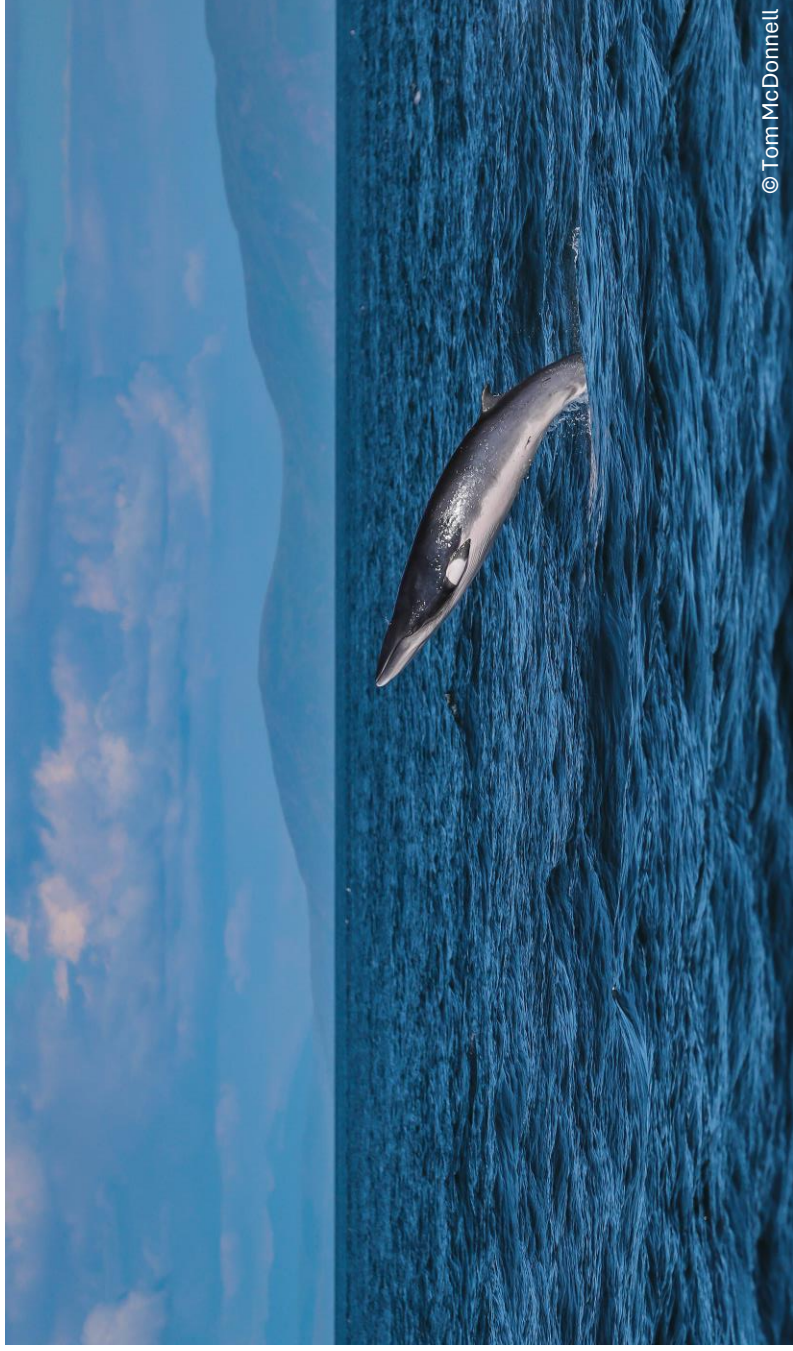


Minke Whale



Length: 7 metres

- They are the smallest whale in Scottish seas
- They are nicknamed “Stinky Minkes” because of their smelly breath
- Minke whale vocalisations can be as loud as 150 decibels - that’s the same as a jet plane taking off!

Orca (Killer Whale)

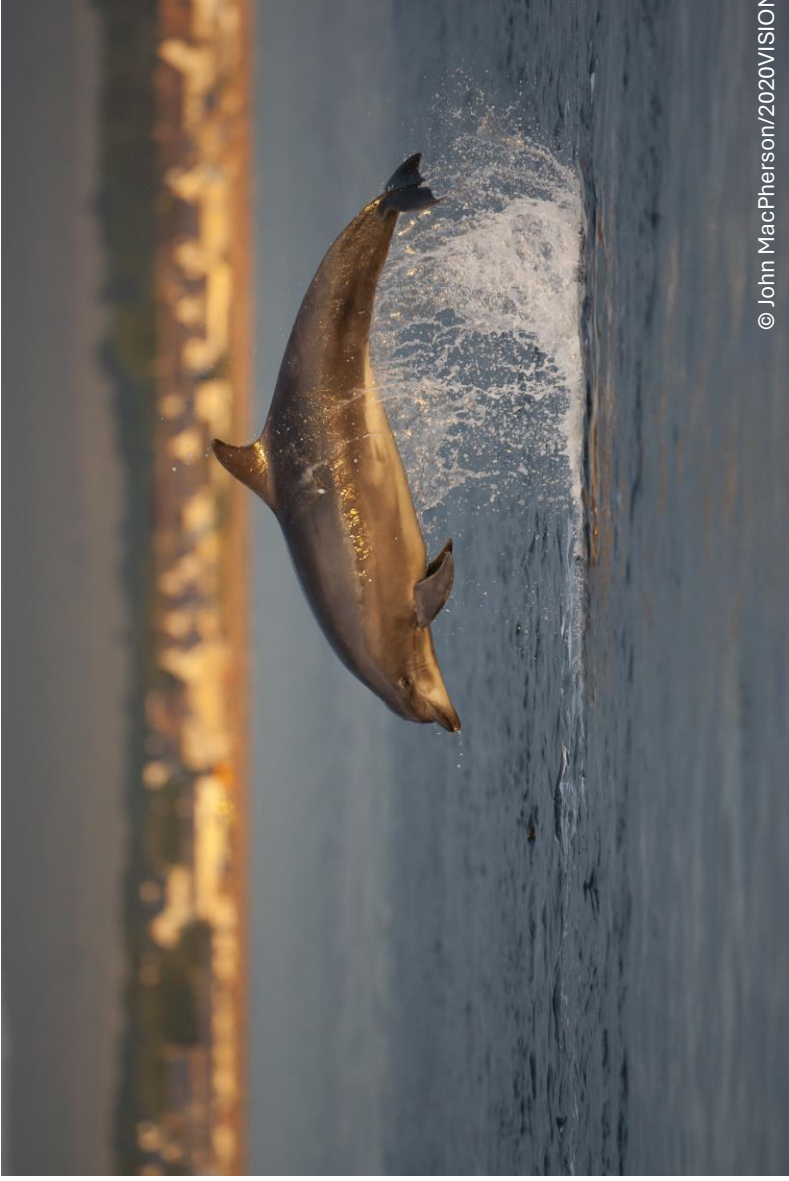


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Length: 9.8 metres

- Orcas, or Killer Whales, are actually dolphins! They got this name as they are known to work together to kill whales much larger than themselves
- The Gaelic word for Orca, Mada-chuain, translates to 'Ocean Wolf'
- The 'west coast community' are our resident group of orcas that arrive in North Scotland in the summer to feast on fish

Bottlenose Dolphin



Length: 4 metres

- They often catch their prey by striking the fish with their tails to stun them
- They can swim at speeds of up to 30km an hour and dive to depths of 250m
- Individual bottlenose dolphins can be recognised from the

unique pattern of nicks and notches on their dorsal fin. A bit

Harbour Porpoise



Length: 2 metres

- They are a little shy, but can be spotted close to shore in shallow waters
- They are the smallest species of cetacean found in Scottish waters
- They are eating machines! Their small size means they have

to feed constantly to keep their body temperature up in our

Humpback Whale



Length: 18 metres

- They are found throughout the world's oceans and perform some of the longest migrations of any mammals. In Scotland they feast on fish and krill and then travel to tropical seas to give birth
- They can live for up to 80 to 90 years!
- They are well known for their acrobatic behaviour - so don't