

False killer whale

PSEUDORCA CRASSIDENS

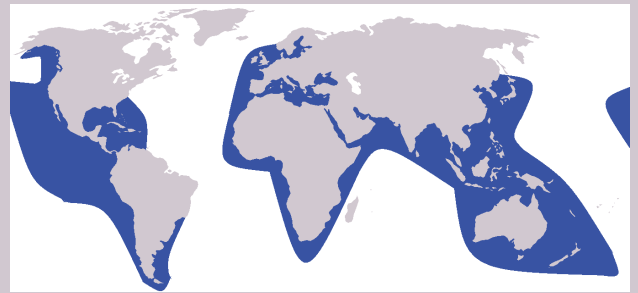
Psuedo in **psuedorca** is from the Greek word **pseudos** meaning false while **crassidens** is from the Latin **crassus**, thick, and **dens**, a tooth.

The false killer whale belongs to the dolphin family and is dolphin-like in shape- long body with slender, pointed flukes. They can grow to 5-6metres long. They look similar to the female killer whale but are slimmer and darker. They are highly social animals and can form groups of several hundred. They are fast swimmers and can make sharp, sudden turns when feeding. They will often get close to boats or ride the waves they create.



False killer whales are found in all tropical and temperate seas. They are rarely found in shallow waters. They are known to get stranded, sometimes in large numbers as occurred in 1978 at Manukau when some 231 of them stranded there.

They eat fish and squid, and occasionally will attack other dolphins.

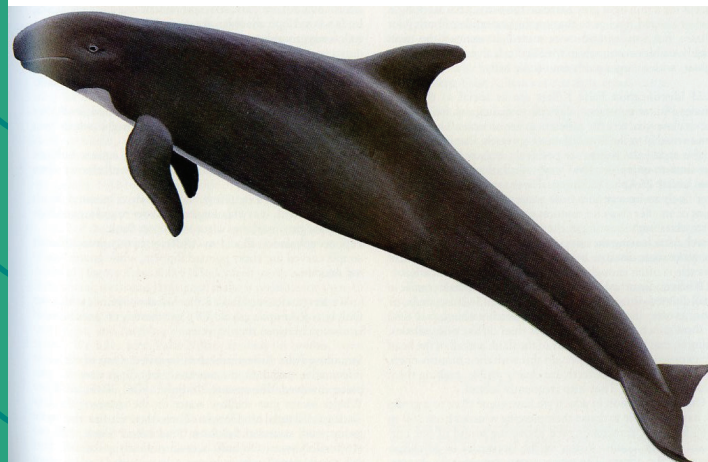


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