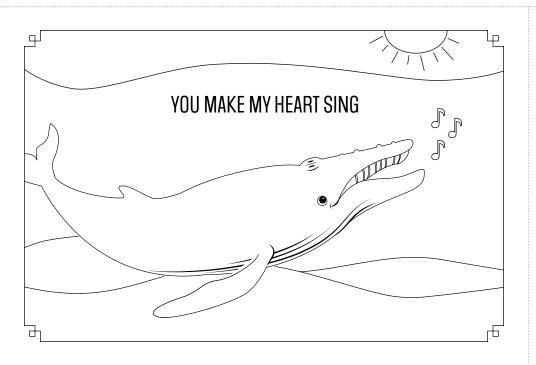
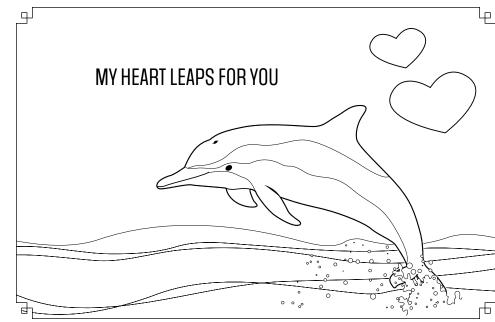
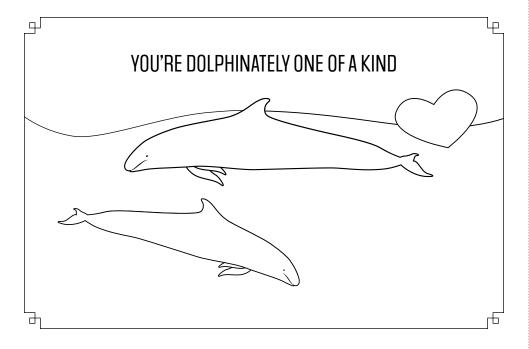
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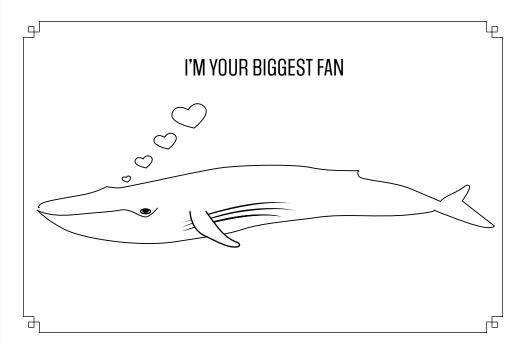
Color a valentine card and **SHARE THE LOVE** for whales and dolphins in the Pacific Islands region! Learn how you can help protect these majestic marine mammals.











Viewing Distances for Marine Life











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Spinner Dolphin

Spinner dolphins likely spin to communicate with one another and to remove parasites from their bodies.



Humpback Whale

Male humpback whales sing songs that last 20 minutes long and can be heard up to 20 miles away.



MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

Give spinner dolphins at least 50 yards (150 feet) of space when viewing them. It's the law in Hawai'i!



MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

Slow, slow, slow your boat...down to six knots around humpback whales. Be sure to give them at least 100 yards of space (required by law in Hawai'i).



Blue Whale

Endangered

Blue whales are the largest animals to have ever lived on earth.



False Killer Whale

Endangered Population in Hawai'i

False killer whales are actually a type of dolphin. The endangered population in Hawai'i has less than 200 individuals, making them the rarest dolphin in Hawai'i waters.



MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

Learn more about threats to this endangered species so that you can be a voice for them!

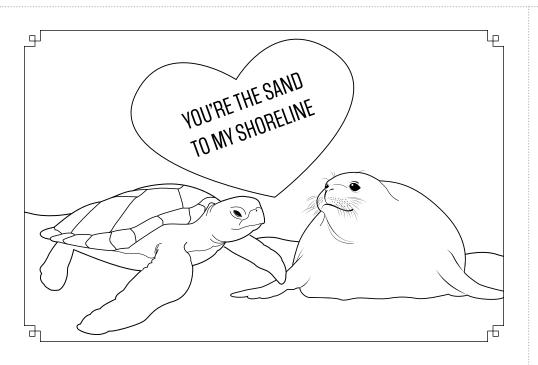


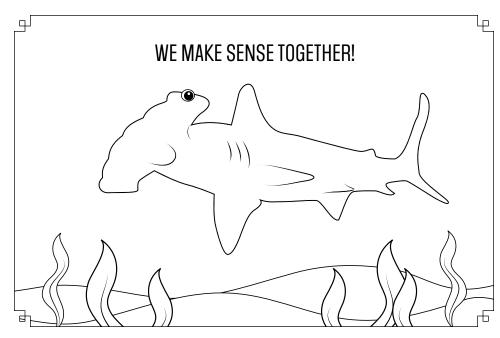
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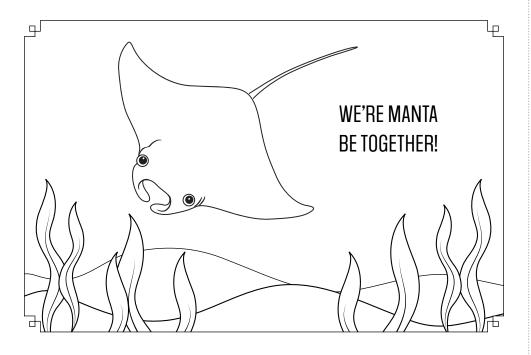
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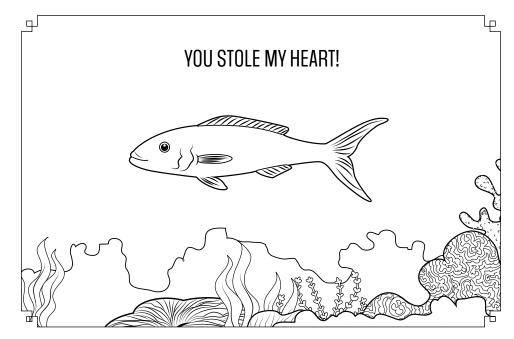












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Hawaiian Monk Seal

Scalloped Hammerhead Shark

Threatened in American Samoa, the Mariana Islands, and the Pacific Remote Island Areas

The "hammer" part of a scalloped hammerhead's head has a special group of sensors called ampullae of lorenzini. They help hammerheads scan the ocean floor to find food.



MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

Choose U.S. seafood to support sustainable fishing, protections for threatened and endangered species, and ocean habitat conservation.



Green Sea Turtle

Threatened and Endangered Pacific Populations

It's a treat to see turtles and seals hanging out in some of the same areas that we enjoy! But seals and turtles can accidentally get hooked or entangled when fishing on the beach.

Endangered To:

From:

MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

Give these animals space on land and in the water—at least 10 feet for turtles and 50 feet for Hawaiian monk seals. Pull in your fishing gear if you notice a seal or turtle in the water.



Gray Snapper

Gray snappers often look for an opportunity to intercept food. They may even steal from you while hunting for some of their favorite prey: goatfish!



Giant Manta Ray

Threatened

The giant manta ray is the world's largest ray. They're commonly confused with reef manta rays but are much larger—with a wingspan up to 29 feet!



MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

Fish need healthy habitat throughout their lives to thrive! Learn about the different habitats of gray snapper in Hawai'i.



MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

Did you spot this threatened species in the water? Report sightings to manta.ray@noaa.gov!

