

Humpback whales

Whales are huge *mammals*, or warm-blooded animals, that live in the sea. Humpback whales make sounds like cries. Scientists think the whales make these sounds to communicate and to find partners. These sounds travel very long distances and can be heard for many kilometres in the oceans.



Humpback whales can jump up from the water's surface.

Whales migrate from cold feeding grounds to warmer areas to give birth to their young.



The whales are also known for their amazing migrations. They travel thousands of kilometres from icy waters at the top of the Earth. This is where the whales feed during the summer. The places they travel to during the winter are close to the middle of the Earth. This is where they have their young. The trip is amazing because the whales have to cover a long distance, and they are very large. These gentle giants are as long as a minibus and as heavy as 20 cars.