

Animal Fact Sheet

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Bottlenose Dolphin

Tursiops truncatus

The Bottlenose Dolphin is a highly intelligent marine mammal known for its playful behavior and complex social structures. It has a robust, streamlined body with a distinctive short, thick beak and a...

Quick facts

Classification: Mammal

Family: Delphinidae

Habitat: Coastal and offshore ocean waters

Diet: Carnivore

Conservation status: Least Concern

Lifespan: 20-50 years

Weight: 150-650 kg

Scientific name: *Tursiops truncatus*

Did you know?

- Bottlenose dolphins have been observed using marine sponges as tools to protect their snouts while foraging on the seafloor.
- Bottlenose dolphins can recognize themselves in mirrors, showing a high level of self-awareness. They use echolocation to locate prey and navigate mu...

What I learned
