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Animal Fact Sheet

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Cuvier's Beaked Whale

Ziphius cavirostris

Ziphius cavirostris holds the record for the deepest and longest dive ever measured in any mammal: tagged animals off the coast of California and North Carolina have reached nearly 3,000 m and stayed…

Quick facts

Classification: Mammal
Family: Ziphiidae
Habitat: Deep offshore oceanic waters
Diet: Carnivore
Conservation status: Least Concern
Lifespan: 30-60 years
Weight: 2,000–3,000 kg
Scientific name: Ziphius cavirostris

Did you know?

- Despite being rarely seen, Cuvier's Beaked Whale is the most widely distributed beaked whale in the world.
- Old males often turn pale-headed or nearly white with age and are scored with cookiecutter shark bite marks and tooth rakes. The whale's foraging div…

What I learned

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