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Guiana Dolphin

Sotalia guianensis

The Guiana dolphin, also known as the costero, is a small, coastal species of dolphin found along the Atlantic coast of South and Central America. It is characterized by its robust body, short beak, …

Quick facts

Classification: Mammal
Family: Delphinidae
Habitat: Coastal and estuarine waters
Diet: Carnivore
Conservation status: Near Threatened
Lifespan: 25-30 years
Weight: 35-100 kg
Scientific name: Sotalia guianensis

Did you know?

- Guiana dolphins were recognized as a distinct species only in 2007, after previously being grouped with the closely related tucuxi dolphin.
- Guiana dolphins use echolocation to hunt fish in murky estuarine waters. They have been observed engaging in playful behaviors such as surfing on boa…

What I learned

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