

MS FRIDTJOF NANSEN

16th May 2024— 24th May 2024

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Science & education program

During this voyage, we ran 4 citisen science projects in total: Nasa Cloud Globe Observer, eBird, Happy Whale, and Inaturalist. You were able to enrich your mind with 8 lectures and tiny talks on different topics from birds to whales, to rocks. You also took part in 19 discovery sessions and activities we organised.

You showed a lot of interest in the scientific aspect of our voyage and we thank you all for your enthusiasm. Here we provide a resume of our science activities.



Lectures, Discovery sessions, & Activities

8 Lectures

19 Discovery sessions & Activities



Wildlife Watch

41 Species:

5 Mammals

36 Birds



60 bird species seen altogether on trip

Greylag Goose	8	Black-legged Kittiwake	86
Mallard	10	Black-headed Gull	1
Common Eider	185	Herring Gull	28
Harlequin Duck	6	Great Black-backed Gull	1
Red-breasted Merganser	4	Glaucous Gull	1
Eurasian Oystercatcher	8	Lesser Black-Backed Gull	7
European Golden Plover	5	Arctic Tern	55
Common Ringed Plover	14	Northern Fulmar	823
Whimbrel	2	Northern Gannet	5
Black-tailed Godwit	2	Great Cormorant	3
Common Snipe	5	Common Raven	1
Red-necked Phalarope	7	Redwing	2
Common Redshank	13	Northern Wheatear	1
Ruddy Turnstone	60	Common Raven	1
Red Knot	450	Redwing	2
Dunlin	50	Northern Wheatear	1
Purple Sandpiper	2	White Wagtail	1
Atlantic Puffin	64	Meadow Pipit	2
Black Guillemot	80		
Razorbill	2		
Common			
Guillemot/Murre	18	Large Auk species	9



At least 2,023 individuals of 39 species were logged into eBird

5 duck & goose sp.12 wader/shorebird sp.15 seabird sp.

6 landbird sp.

Most abundant species



Northern Fulmar Red Knot

Common Eider Black-legged Kittiwake

Black Guillemot











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450

185

86

80

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Add narrative

Species Observed +1 other taxa

1 4 Checklists









NASA Cloud Observer

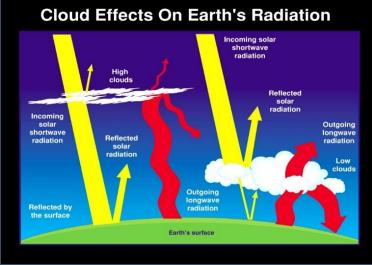
You were quite a few to assist during our observations. We did 1 cloud observation in total during this voyage, resulting in 1 submission and 20 participants overall.

View our data on the global map

Why did we observe clouds?

- Clouds affect the Earth's temperature and its climate
- Satellites sometimes have a hard time detecting details and certain cloud types
- Our observations are needed to ground-truth satellite data









NASA cloud observer

1 Observation Locations recorded.

View our data on the global map



Workshop sessions

What Did We See Today Sessions

We gave a couple sessions throughout this trip where we highlighted different species we had seen on that particular day.

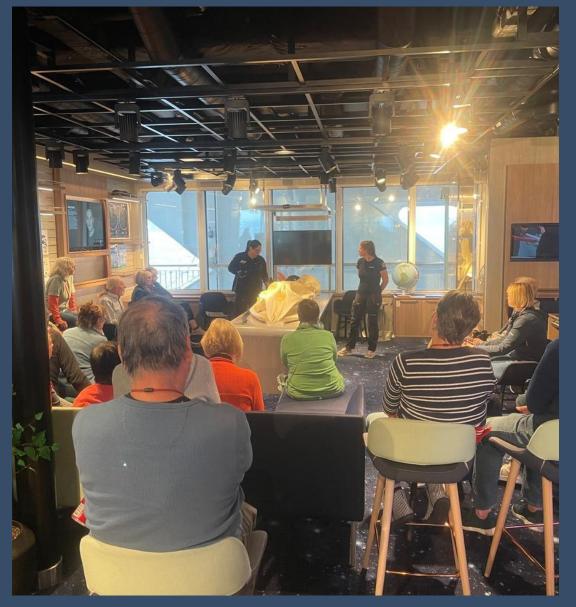
Topics ranged from seabirds, to whales, to geological formations.



Whale bones and whale sounds

We joined our Marine Biologist Lilia and our ORCA representative Michaela on an hour long workshop where they shared their expertise on whale bones and how whales produce sounds.

You had the opportunity to listen to different cetacean species and fully immerse yourselves in the world of whales!





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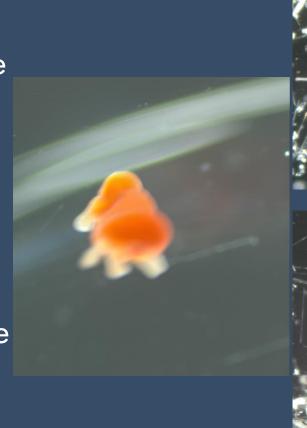
Science Boat

We went out once and picked 2 plankton samples from Patreksfjörður

Microscope sessions

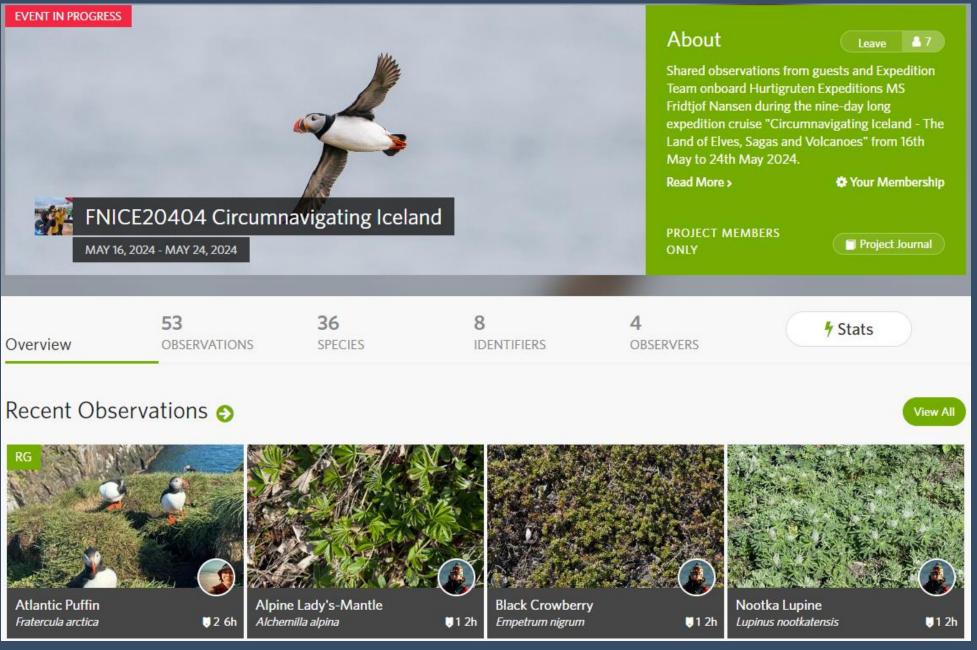
We did one session where we analysed the plankton we picked on our science boat trip.

The sample from
Patreksfjordur was full of
zooplankton life, such as these
jellyfish and sea slug
(nudibranch) here.





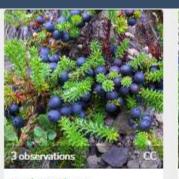






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Scurvy Grass (Cochlearia officinalis)



Black Crowberry (Empetrum nigrum)



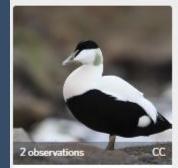
Nootka Lupine (Lupinus nootkatensis)



Arctic Tern (Sterna paradisaea)



Atlantic Puffin (Fratercula arctica)



Common Eider (Somateria mollissima)



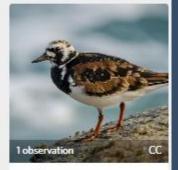
Fungi Including Lichens (Kingdom Fungi)



American Dune Grass (Levmus mollis)



Alpine Lady's-Mantle (Alchemilla alpina)



Ruddy Turnstone (Arenaria interpres)



Northern Fulmar (Fulmarus glacialis)



Black-legged Kittiwake (Rissa tridactyla)



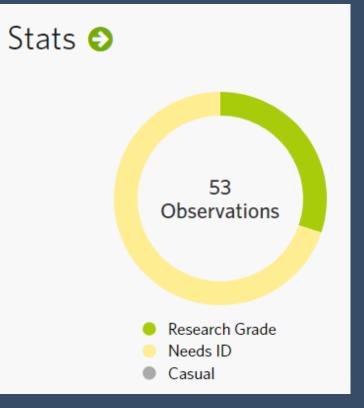
Common Loon (Gavia immer)



Eurasian Oystercatcher (Haematopus ostralegus)



European Golden Plover (Pluvialis apricaria)



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Mallard (Anas platyrhynchos)



Greylag Goose (Anser anser)



White Wagtail (Motacilla alba)



Common Minke Whale (Balaenoptera acutorostrata)



Humpback Whale (Megaptera novaeangliae)



Harbor Seal (Phoca vitulina)



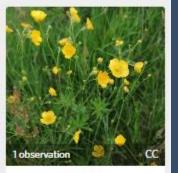
Pines (Genus Pinus)



Common Dandelion (Taraxacum officinale)



Common Yarrow (Achillea millelolium)



Meadow Buttercup (Ranunculus acris)



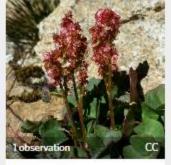
Sea Thrift (Armeria maritima)



Garden Angelica (Angelica archangelica)



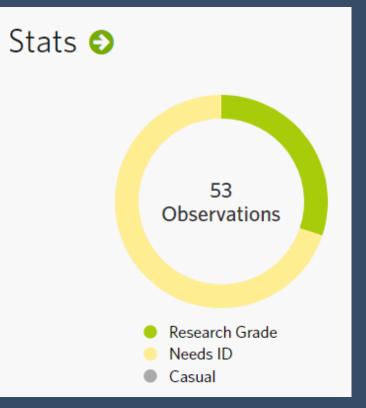
Black Mussels (Genus Mytilus)



Alpine Sorrel (Oxyria digyna)



Roseroot (Rhodiola rosea)





Wood Crane's-Bill (Geranium sylvaticum)



Downy Birch (Betula pubescens)



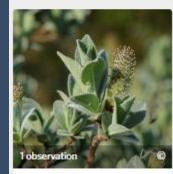
Sea Sandwort (Honckenya peploides)



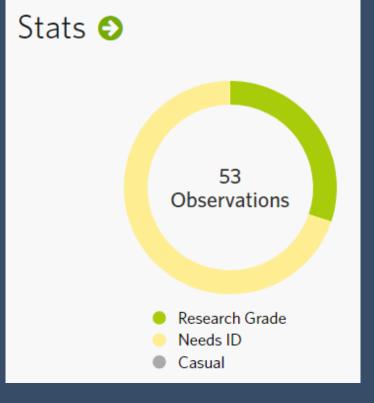
Northern Dock (Rumex langilalius)

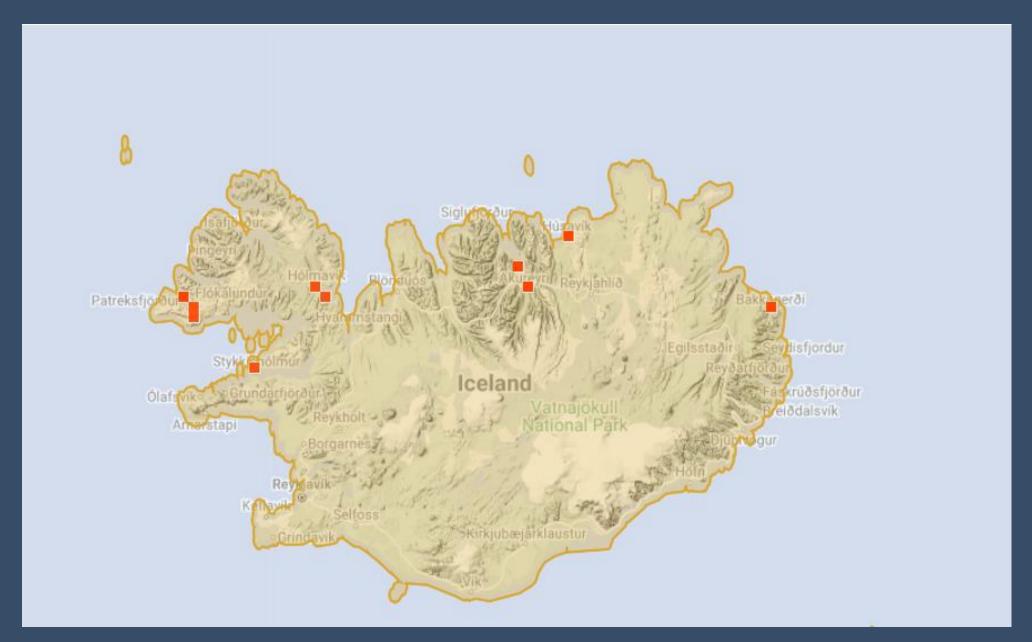


Ocean Quahog (Arctica islandica)



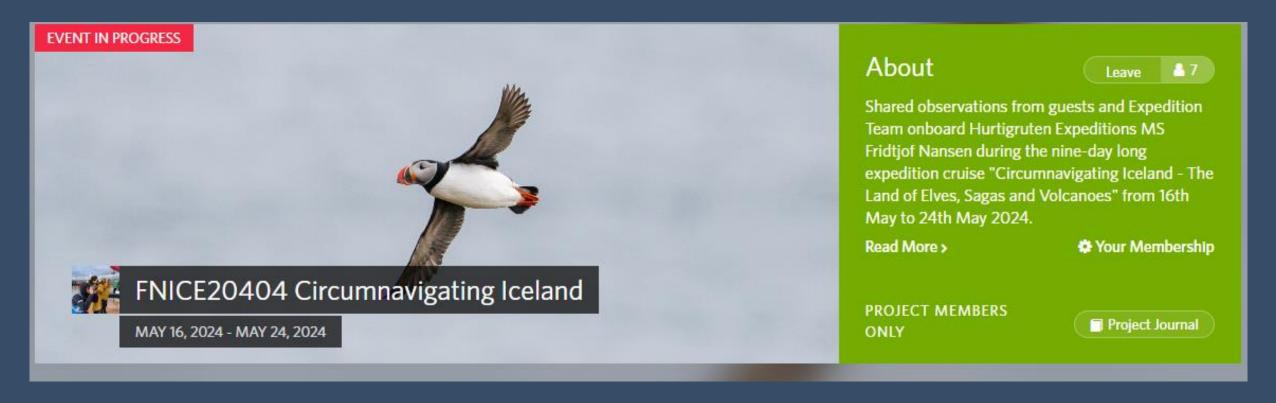
Woolly Willow (Salix lanata)





iNaturalist





Please do join the project once at home to upload your observations!

HAPPYWHALE SUBMISSIONS





Submissions for Individual Identification:

1 Humpback Whale

Photo: Simon Delany

Geology of Iceland



In Patreksfjordur we dealt with the landforming forces of glaciers during the last ice ages which formed the flattened mountains there.

The main topic in Iceland however, were the different landscape features caused by basaltic volcanism of mid ocean ridges and hot spots:



lava rocks and black sands in Snaefellsness peninsula



Basaltic columns in Snaefellsness peninsula and Akureyri

Craters of volcanic scoria and tephra in Snaefellsness peninsula and Heimaey island





Additionally we learned about geothermal fields of Iceland as proof for the ongoing volcanic activity and as important energy source in Iceland.





On the way out of Bakkagerdi we also took advantage of the sighting of a fog bow to talk about optical phenomenons in the Arctic.







ICELAND CIRCUMNAVIGATION BIRD LIST: 16 - 24 MAY 2024

SEABIRDS

		SPECIES						M	AY			
SCIENTIFIC NAME	ENGLISH	GERMAN	FRENCH	NORWEGIAN	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Fulmarus glacialis	Northern Fulmar	Eissturmvogel	Fulmar Boréal	Havhest	•	•	•	•	٠	•	•	•
Morus bassanus	Northern Gannet	Basstölpel	Fou De Bassan	Havsule	•	•	•	•		•	•	•
Phalacrocorax aristotelis	European Shag	Krähenscharbe	Cormoran Huppé	Toppskarv		•						
Phalacrocorax carbo	Great Cormorant	Kormoran	Grand Cormoran	Storskarv				•				
Rissa tridactyla	Black-legged Kittiwake	Dreizehenmöwe	Mouette Tridactyle	Krykkje	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Chroicocephalus ridibundus	Black-headed Gull	Lachmöwe	Mouette Rieuse	Hettemåke		•		•	•	•		•
Larus marinus	Great Black-backed Gull	Mantelmöwe	Goéland Marin	Svartbak		,	i i	•				•
Larus hyperboreus	Glaucous Gull	Eismöwe	Goéland Bourgmestre	Polarmåke			•	•		•		•
Larus argentatus	European Herring Gull	Silbermöwe	Goéland Argenté	Gråmåke	•	•		•	•	•	•	•
Larus fuscus	Lesser Black-backed Gull	Heringsmöwe	Goéland Brun	Sildemåke	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Sterna paradisaea	Arctic Tern	Küstenseeschwalbe	Sterne Arctique	Rødnebbterne	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Stercorarius skua	Great Skua	Skua	Grand Labbe	Storjo							•	
Stercorarius parasiticus	Arctic Skua/ Parasitic Jaeger	Schmarotzerraubmö we	Labbe Parasite	Tyvjo						•		
Uria lomvia	Brűnnich's Guillemot/ Thick-billed Murre	Dickschnabellumme	Guillemot De Brünnich	Polarlomvi			•					
Uria aalge	Common Guillemot/ Common Murre	Trottellumme	Guillemot Marmette	Lomvi			•			•		•
Alca torda	Razorbill	Tordalk	Petit Pingouin	Alke			•	(i.)	•	•		•
Cepphus grylle	Black Guillemot	Gryllteiste	Guillemot À Miroir	Teist		•	•	•		•	•	•
Fratercula arctica	Atlantic Puffin	Papageitaucher	Macareux Moine	Lunde		•	•	•	•	•	•	•

WATERBIRDS

		SPECIES						1	ΛAY			
SCIENTIFIC NAME	ENGLISH	GERMAN	FRENCH	NORWEGIAN	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Anser anser	Greylag Goose	Graugans	Oie Cendrée	Grāgās	•			•	•		•	1
Anser brachyrhynchus	Pink-footed Goose	Kurzschnabelgans	Oie À Bec Court	Kortnebbgås					•			
Cygnus cygnus	Whooper Swan	Singschwan	Cygne Chanteur	Sangsvane			•		•			
Branta bernicla	Brent Goose	Ringelgans	Bernache cravant	Ringgås								•
Mareca strepera	Gadwall	Schnatterente	Canard Chipeau	Snadderand					•			
Mareca penelope	Eurasian Wigeon	Pfeifente	Canard Siffleur	Brunnakke					•			
Mareca americana	American Wigeon	Kanadapfeifente	Canard d'Amérique	Amerikablesand					•			
Anas platyrhynchos	Mallard	Stockente	Canard Colvert	Stokkand					•			
Anas crecca	Eurasian Teal	Krickente	Sarcelle D'hiver	Krikkand								
Aythya fuligula	Tufted Duck	Reiherente	Fuligule Morillon	Toppand					•		>	
Aythya marila	Greater Scaup	Bergente	Fuligule Milouinan	Bergand					•			
Somateria mollissima	Common Eider	Eiderente	Eider À Duvet	Ærfugl	•		•		•	•	•	•
Histrionicus histrionicus	Harlequin Duck	Kragenente	Arlequin Plongeur	Harlekinand				•	•	•	•	
Clangula hyemalis	Long-tailed Duck	Eisente	Harelde Kakawi	Havelle					•	•		
Bucephala islandica	Barrow's Goldeneye	Spatelente	Garrot d'Islande	Islandsand					•			
Mergus serrator	Red-breasted Merganser	Mittelsäger	Harle Huppé	Siland				•			i i	
Gavia stellata	Red-throated Diver/ Red-throatedLoon	Sterntaucher	Plongeon Catmarin	Smålom					•			
Gavia immer	Great Northern Diver/ Common Loon	Eistaucher	Plongeon Huard	Islom				•				
Podiceps auritus	Slavonian Grebe/ Horned Grebe	Ohrentaucher	Grèbe Esclavon						•			
Haematopus ostralegus	Eurasian Oystercatcher	Austernfischer	Huîtrier Pie	Tjeld			•		•	•	•	•
Vanellus vanellus	Common Lapwing	Kiebitz	Vanneau huppé	Vipe						•		
Pluvialis apricaria	European Golden Plover	Goldregenpfeifer	Pluvier Doré	Heilo			•					•
Charadrius hiaticula	Common Ringed Plover	Sandregenpfeifer	Pluvier Grand- Gravelot	Sandlo		•		•		•		
Numenius phaeopus	Whimbrel	Regenbrachvogel	Courlis Corlieu	Småspove			•		•	•	•	
Limosa limosa	Black-tailed Godwit	Uferschnepfe	Barge À Queue Noire	Svarthalespove		•	•		•		•	
Arenaria interpres	Ruddy Turnstone	Steinwälzer	Tournepierre À Collier	Steinvender		•	•	•				

Calidris canutus	Red Knot	Knutt	Bécasseau Maubèche	Polarsnipe	•	•	•		•		©:
Calidris alpina	Dunlin	Alpenstrandläufer	Bécasseau Variable	Myrsnipe		1		80 80			56 8
Calidris maritima	Purple Sandpiper	Meerstrandläufer	Bécasseau Violet	Fjæreplytt				0.0			
Gallinago gallinago	Common Snipe	Bekassine	Bécassine Des Marais	Enkeltbekkasin	•	•	•	•	•	•	
Phalaropus lobatus	Red-necked Phalarope	Odinshühnchen	Phalarope À Bec Étroit	Svømmesnipe			•	•	•	•	100
Tringa totanus	Common Redshank	Rotschenkel	Chevalier Gambette	Rødstilk					•	•	

LANDBIRDS

		SPECIES			ex			1	/AY			
SCIENTIFIC NAME	ENGLISH	GERMAN	FRENCH	NORWEGIAN	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Lagopus muta	Rock Ptarmigan	Alpenschneehuhn	Lagopède Alpin	Fjellrype	15 X	- 3	•	٠			•	8 =
Columba livia	Rock Dove/ Feral Pigeon	Felsentaube	Pigeon Biset	Klippedue (Bydue)	•	3 38	3		12 12			•
Corvus corax	Northern Raven	Kolkrabe	Grand Corbeau	Ravn			•	•	•			168 9
Sturnus vulgaris	Common Starling	Star	Étourneau Sansonnet	Stær	7.0		•					
Turdus merula	Common Blackbird	Amsel	Merle Noir	Svarttrost								
Turdus iliacus	Redwing	Rotdrossel	Grive Mauvis	Rødvingetrost		•	•			•	•	
Oenanthe oenanthe	Northern Wheatear	Steinschmätzer	Traquet Motteux	Steinskvett		•	•	٠			•	
Passer domesticus	House Sparrow	Haussperling	Moineau Domestique	Gråspurv								
Motacilla alba	White Wagtail	Bachstelze	Bergeronnette Grise	Linerle			•	•				
Anthus pratensis	Meadow Pipit	Wiesenpieper	Pipit Farlouse	Heipiplerke	N 6	9	•	•				
Acanthis flammea	Common Redpoll	Birkenzeisig	Sizerin Flammé	Gråsisik	: N - G				8			3_=





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MARINE MAMMALS

BALEEN WHALES										MAY						
SCIENTIFIC NAME	ENGLISH	GERMAN	FRENCH	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
Balaenoptera	Common Minke whale	Zwegwal	Petit rorqual	Х				X								
acustorostrata																
Balaenoptera borealis	Sei whale	Seiwal	Rorqual boréal													
Balaenoptera physalus	Fin whale	Finnwal	Rorqual commun													
Balaenoptera musculus	Blue whale	Blauwal	Baleine bleue													
Eubalena glacialis	North Atlantic Right whale	NordkaperNordatlan tischer	Baleine franche													
Balaena mysticetus	Bowhead whale	Grönlandwal	Baleine boréale													
Megaptera novaeanglie	Humpback whale	Buckelwal	Rorqual à bosse				X	Х	X							
TOOTHED WHALES																
SCIENTIFIC NAME	ENGLISH	GERMAN	FRENCH													
Physeter macrocephalus	Sperm whale	Pottwal	Cachalot													
Ziphius cavirostris	Cuvier's Beaked whale	Cuvier-Schnabelwal	Baleine à bec													
			de Cuvier.													
Hyperoodon ampullatus	Northern Bottlenose whale	Nördlicher Entenwal	L'Hypéroodon boréa													
Mesoplodon densirostris	Blainville's Beaked	Blainville-	Baleine à bec													
	whale	Schnabelwal	de Blainville													
Mesoplodon bidens	Sowerby's Beaked whale	Sowerbys WalFlosser	mesoplodon de Sowerbydauphin													
Orcinus orca	Killer whale	Scwertwal	Orque													

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Globicephala	Long-finned Pilot whale	Grindwal	Globicéphale noir									
macrorhynchus												
Grampus griseus	Risso's dolphin	Dolfijn van Risso	Dauphin de Risso									
Tursiops truncatus	Bottlenose dolphin	Großer Tümmler	Dauphin souffleur									
Lagenorhynchus acutus	Atlantic White-sided	Atlantischer	Dauphin À Flancs									
	dolphin	Weißseitendelfin	Blancs									
Lagenorhynchus	White-beaked dolphin	Weißschnauzendelfin	Dauphin à bec Blanc									
albirostris												
Phocoena phocoena	Harbour porpoise	Schweinswal	Marsouin commun					X				
PINNIPEDS												
SCIENTIFIC NAME	ENGLISH	GERMAN	FRENCH									
Halichoerus grypus	Gray seal	Kegelrobbe	Phoque grid		X	X	X					
Phoca vitulina	Harbour seal, common seal	Gemeiner Seehund	Phoque veau-marin		X							

LAND MAMMALS

			MAY													
SCIENTIFIC NAME	ENGLISH	GERMAN	FRENCH	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
Vulpes lagopus	Arctic fox	Polarfuchs	Renard arctique													

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