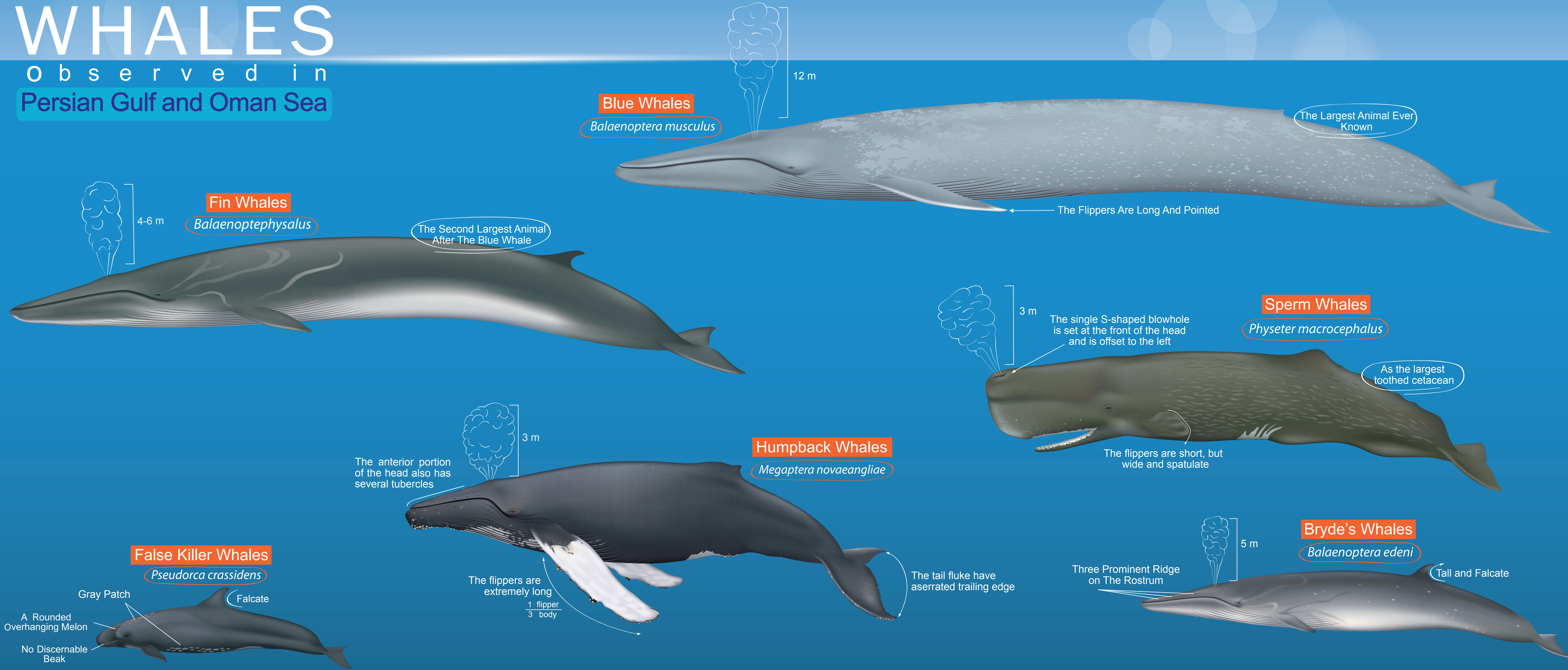


WHALES

Observed in
Persian Gulf and Oman Sea



Species	Blue Whale	Fin Whale	Sperm Whale	Humpback Whale	Bryde's Whale	False Killer Whale
Newborn	7-8 m	6 m	3.5-4.5 m	4.3 m	4 m	2.5-1.5 m
Adult	Between 22-30 m	24-27 m	12m ♀, 18.3m ♀	11-18 m	15m ♀	5 m ♀, 6 m ♀

Characteristic	Blue Whale	Fin Whale	Sperm Whale	Humpback Whale	Bryde's Whale	False Killer Whale
Size			 The Head is Squarish 1 Head 4 body			 A long, slender, cigar shaped body
Surface Characteristics						—
Throat Pleats	88 - 60	100 - 50	10 - 2	35 - 12	70 - 40	—
Baleen/Toothed	260- 400 Per Side	260-480 Per Side	18-26 per side in lower jaw	270 - 400 per side	250 - 370 Per Side	7-12 Per Side
IUCN Status	EN Endangered	EN Endangered	VU Vulnerable	EN Endangered	DD Data Deficient	DD Data Deficient



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