

Reading Resources: Marine Mammals

Books for Adults

Beautiful Minds: The Parallel lives of great apes and dolphins / Craig Stanford and Maddalena Bearzi. Harvard Univ. Press, 2008.

Deep Thinkers: Inside the minds of whales, dolphins and porpoises / Janet Mann. Univ. of Chicago Press, 2017.

Vaquita: Science, Politics and Crime in the Sea of Cortez /Brooke Bessessen, Island Press, 2018.

Featured Websites

VaquitaCPR - <https://www.vaquitacpr.org/>

According to this site, there are less than 20 vaquita still alive in the northern Gulf of California, their native habitat. Information, links and a free newsletter sign-up are available at this site. This site contains Vaquita information plus over 100 agency reports and scientific papers dating from 1961 through 2017.

Videos

Sea of Shadows Trailer

<https://vaquitafilm.com/sea-of-shadows-official-trailer/>

Sea of Shadows is a documentary about the near extinction of the vaquita due to the illegal gillnet fishing of the totoaba fish. Vaquitas get caught and drown in the gillnets as bycatch. The swim bladders of totoaba fish are sold illegally in the international fishing industry.

Souls of the Vermillion Sea

<https://vaquitafilm.com/souls-of-the-vermillion-sea/>

Souls of the Vermillion Sea is a 30-minute documentary about the efforts to save the vaquita from extinction.