

Let's Create Origami Fin Whales & Art Letters to end Icelandic Whaling

SAVE THE WHALES!

Urge Icelandic Parliament to support the Pirate Party bill to permanently ban whaling.



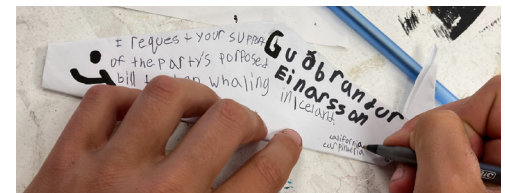
1) Please write Icelandic Minister of Foreign Affairs
- Thórdís Kolbrún Reykjörd Gylfadóttir

2) Write: *Please support the Pirate Party's proposed bill to ban whaling in Iceland.*

See **"SAMPLE LETTER"** to personalize your message.

Thank you for taking the most powerful action!

3) Include your first name, city & country



Information on how to create Origami Fin Whale messages at cetaceans.org/origami-whales-iceland

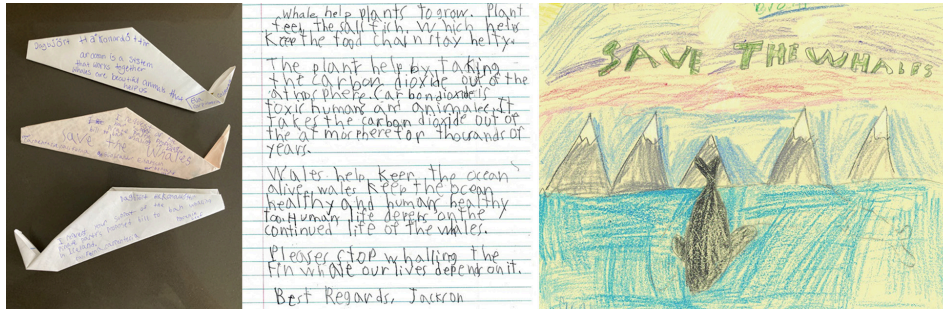
4) [optional] HELP SPREAD THE WORD! Share our campaign **#IcelandWithoutWhaling** across social media! We encourage you to take a 'selfie' with the poster (click the PDF icons to download) and/or share the graphic we have created. Whichever option you choose, please make sure to include our hashtag **#IcelandWithoutWhaling** and tag us!



Mailing information:

Minister of Foreign Affairs - Thórdís Kolbrún Reykjörd Gylfadóttir
Rauðararstigur 25
105 Reykjavik
Iceland

Write: “Please support the Pirate Party’s proposed bill to ban whaling in Iceland.” and personalize your message.



SAMPLE LETTER:

Dear Minister Thórdís Kolbrún Reykfjörð Gylfadóttir,

I am writing to request that you share my concerns with your Minister. I fully support a permanent ban on whaling in Iceland.

The disturbing findings in a 2022 MAST report revealed that 41 percent of the whales killed by Hvalur hf, Iceland’s last whaling company, suffered immensely before dying. Despite the implementation of stricter regulations, the first whaling tour of the 2023 season saw two out of three fin whales hunted in clear violation of both Article 5 of the regulations and Iceland’s Animal Welfare Act.

Whaling does not support Iceland’s economy, with 90 percent of whale products exported to Japan. Furthermore, influential figures in the multi-billion-dollar film industry, including Hollywood Directors, Producers, and Actors, have pledged to avoid filming in Iceland until whaling is banned. This looming economic loss threatens to strike a severe blow to Iceland’s economy, a consequence that cannot be overlooked.

Living whales also provide significant, ongoing revenue to Iceland’s whale watching companies, and associated industries (tour companies, hotels, souvenirs, etc.). Ecotourism (whale watching) has proven far more profitable as an ongoing and sustainable resource supporting Iceland’s economy. Beyond the economic aspect, whales play a vital role in maintaining the health of marine ecosystems.

I urge you to support a future for Iceland without whaling.

Sincerely,



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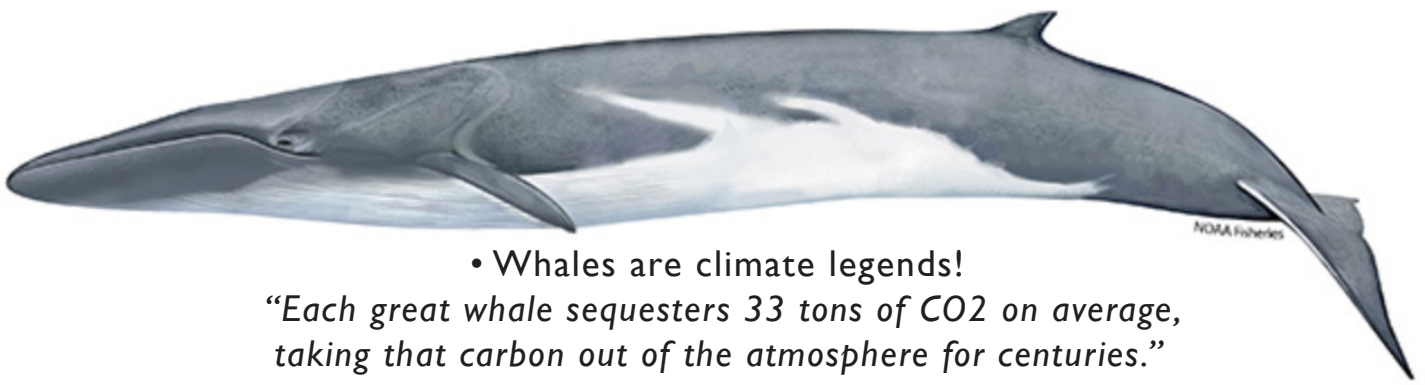
Additional information at cetaceans.org/stopwhalingiceland



origamiwhalesproject.org



Speak up for cetaceans - take action at cetaceans.org!



• Whales are climate legends!
“Each great whale sequesters 33 tons of CO2 on average, taking that carbon out of the atmosphere for centuries.”

Fact Animal

Fin Whale Facts Overview

Habitat:	Open ocean
Location:	Primarily polar waters, but distributed across all major oceans
Lifespan:	Possibly more than 140 years
Size:	Up to 27m (89ft) average around 20-25m (66ft to 82 ft)
Weight:	112,000kg (247,000lb)
Color:	Brownish-grey
Diet:	Schooling fish, krill
Predators:	Humans, occasionally orca
Top Speed:	47kmph (30mph)
No. of Species:	1
Conservation Status:	Vulnerable

Learn more!

Interesting Fin Whale Facts:

<https://factanimal.com/fin-whale>

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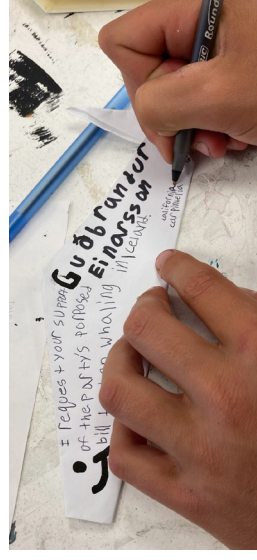
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