

The Blue Whale

The Blue Whale is the largest animal ever! Maximum size near 33 m, 150,000 kg – these gargantuan leviathans live in all oceans world-wide and philatelically appear on 145 stamps (1963-2013) – they tell the story



First Stamp
South Georgia 1963



Pictorial Postmark
Romania 2002



Gold Foil, 1983

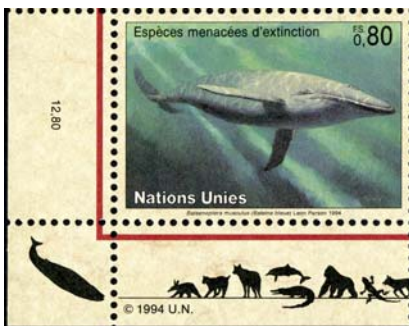
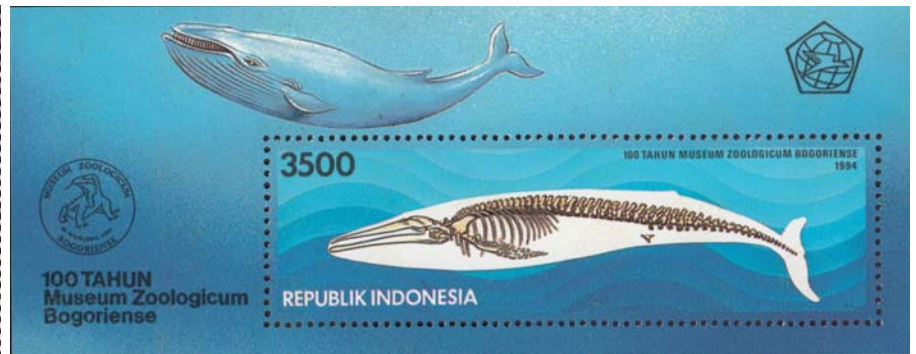
Industrial slaughter
1910-40



Cinderella, 1910 – rare



Meter – scarce
Mother suckling infant
So. Korea 2000



Southern Ocean Sanctuary
TAFF 1996



Blue Whale populations
slowly recovering since killing ban 1966