

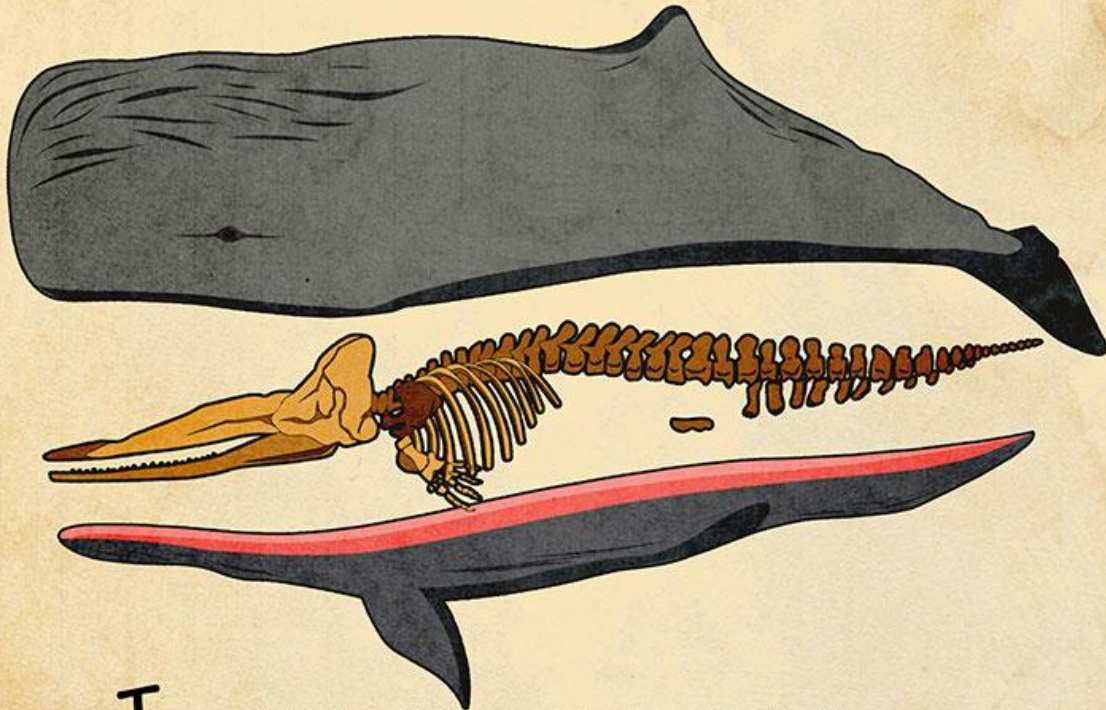
# Know your fellow (non-human) Singaporeans || Sperm Whale || Part 2/3

27 August 2015 || To: NUS Community

**Although Singapore is heavily urbanized, we still can find an amazing variety of wildlife on this island we call home. In collaboration with NUS students and researchers, we are having a 3-part series to introduce to you some wildlife that can be found here in Singapore.**

**In this second installment, we talk about the sperm whale.**

# KNOW YOUR FELLOW (NON-HUMAN) SINGAPOREANS!



**T**he sperm whale is the world's largest toothed predator, and is vulnerable to extinction.

On 10 Jul 2015, a 10.6-m long female sperm whale was found dead off Jurong Island.

This is the first time a sperm whale has been recorded in Singapore.

## WHO'S WORKING ON THE SPERM WHALE IN NUS?

The Lee Kong Chian Natural History Museum (LKCNHM) worked with the public and agencies to secure the whale carcass for research and education. Museum staff worked tirelessly to process the carcass to find out more about the animal, and to preserve the skeleton. They found a large wound on the back of the whale with broken bones below, probably caused by an impact with a ship or its propellers. They also found plastic cups and wrappers in the whale's stomach. To find out more about this whale, go to:

<http://lkcnhm.nus.edu.sg/nus/index.php/collections/sgwhale>

## GET INVOLVED!

Get the latest updates and a close up preview of the whale bones at a sharing session this weekend.

**When? 29 Aug 2015 (Saturday), 2:30pm**

**Where? LKCNHM Learning Lab (Level 1M)**

To register for this free event,  
email: [lkcnhmpreview@gmail.com](mailto:lkcnhmpreview@gmail.com)

LKCNHM is also offering 50% off admission tickets for all visitors that day.