

DOLPHIN SIGHTING RECORDING FORM
ADRIATIC SEA, CROATIA



Please record as much as possible, but even partial data is helpful!

Name: Address:

Do you mind if we publish your family name on GRD's online sightings map on Google Maps? no yes

Telephone: E-mail:

Date:..... Time first seen Time last seen

Where were you watching from: land motor boat sailing boat other (ferry, fishing vessel, etc.)

Location: Latitude:° ' "N Longitude° ' " E

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or (if Lat/Long. not available, give description, distance to local landmarks, etc.)

Please inform our Croatian partners immediately of every unusual incident, particularly if you find an injured, stranded, or dead dolphin (whale, Mediterranean monk seal, sea turtle) at any time of the day or night by phone:

+385/95/9022610 or +385/95/9022613

Species..... definite probably
(enter species name and degree of confidence in the identification; complete description section below to help with species ID if it is not a bottlenose dolphin (*Tursiops truncatus*))

Number of sighted individuals:.....
(To minimize duplicate counts, scan entire area; count greatest number seen simultaneously (minimum) and over 10-15 sec (maximum))

No. adults: No. Juveniles (50 – 75% adult size).....

Behavior (mark one or more)

- Slow/normal swim:** leisurely surfacing with no splash
- Fast swim:** rapid surfacing, possibly with white water
- Feeding:** prey seen in vicinity or animal changing direction as if in pursuit
- Leap/Splashing:** leaping out of the water, tail or fin slapping
- Bow-ride:** coming to boat and riding bow wave
- Rest/milling:** lying motionless at surface or slow, synchronous surfacing
- Sexual:** males with erections, close body contact between animals
- Other:**.....

If you think that the cetacean you saw was not a bottlenose dolphin, make a description of it to help with species ID (head and beak shape; body length; position and size of the dorsal fin; flank markings)

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Other notes (i.e., photos or videos available?)

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