

# Manx Whale + Dolphin Watch



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## Harbour Porpoise:

- Generally dark with a white underside
- Small, robust build, up to 2m in length
- Blunt, curved head
- Small triangular dorsal fin
- Quite timid and dislike boat activity



- **Common Dolphin :**
- Distinctive hourglass pattern of white and yellow down the side
- Small slender body, around 2m in length
- Short beak
- Tall falcate dorsal fin
- Very active around boats



## Risso's Dolphin:

- Colouration can vary from dark grey to white
- Heavy scarring often present on body and fins
- Beakless, squared head and up to 4m in length
- Dorsal fin can be sickle shaped or straight



## Minke Whale:

- Dark grey colouration
- White banded flippers
- Dorsal fin two-thirds down the back
- Up to 8m in length



## Bottlenose Dolphin :

- Uniform grey tones with white shading underneath
- 3.5- 4m in length
- Short beak and curved dorsal fin.
- Generally quite active and often seen leaping and bow riding



## Orca / Killer whale:

- Distinctive black and white colouration
- Long straight dorsal fin which can reach 2m in length
- Blunt snout, rounded head
- Tall, bushy blow can be seen on the surface



Please report any sightings to our website: [www.mwdw.net](http://www.mwdw.net) or call us with anything exciting on 07624 330 185/ 01624 844 686.

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